

**Comment
of the
day**

**DEBATE WITH
A DIFFERENCE**

THERE will be time enough to comment in detail on the many points raised by the Unofficials in the days ahead. Today there is space only to touch on the "new look" of Wednesday's debate. It was a considerable improvement on last year's when the speakers were inclined to be repetitious and too generalised. This year the Unofficials have definitely come to grips with the main problems. Their comments and suggestions were more clearly thought-out than ever before, and before next Wednesday Government has a number of meaty views and suggestions to chew over on subjects such as education, health and hospitals, land sales, resettlement development loans and tourism.

Mr R. C. Lee and Mr M. Dhum Ruttonjee's speeches were particularly well constructed and were obviously based on careful research. They demand very much more than the somewhat slapdash answers which Government speakers handed out in the official replies last year. Mr Ngan Shing-kwan comments on the need for a larger proportion of secondary schools echoes general feeling in the community and his figures show that current plans are inadequate.

Mr Barton and Mr Goldsack made worthy contributions to the debate and we heartily endorse Mr Goldsack's comment on land policy. Mr Barton's plea for medium term loans was well argued and its twofold purpose of meeting the obvious demand for high class investments and helping to finance the heavy Government works bill commends this suggestion for immediate and careful consideration. On the lottery he also offers a number of tangible safeguards which should help to win general acceptance for the idea.

Mr Fung Ping-fan's emphasis on the need to promote tourism may have produced no fresh proposals but his views do carry the conviction that beyond the annual \$2 million subvention to the Tourist Association. Government does not seem to appreciate the importance of this trade to the Colony's economy and that this major invisible import deserves greater encouragement than has so far been provided. Mr Kwan's comments on land policy, particularly those factors contributing to the current high prices of industrial land, underlines local concern on this question. This is not shared by Government yet but Mr Kwan's views coming on top of the statements by Mr M. W. Turner earlier this month and Mr Goldsack yesterday may inspire second thoughts during the year and lead to a more realistic policy—even if it does also involve some loss in revenue.

THE Unofficials have indicated they want four special problems thrashed out more fully than in the two hours allowed them in the budget debate, and it is to be hoped that Government will provide an opportunity in the near future. This is in line with what the China Mail advocated last year and we believe that only by showing their concern in this way will the Unofficials be able to exert a greater influence on Government policy than in the past.

United States bound by treaty to defend Laos KENNEDY ISSUES WARNING

Communist interference must stop

Washington, Mar. 23. President Kennedy tonight stressed the United States' desire for peace not war over Laos but warned that the U.S. is bound by treaty to defend the independence of Laos.

In a televised news conference the President deliberately emphasised American hopes for a settlement at the conference table.

But at the same time he made clear both to the American public and the world at large that if the present armed attacks by Communist forces supported by the Soviet Union and North Vietnam do not stop the United States and its allies in the Southeast Asia Treaty Organisation will have to consider the next appropriate step.

President Kennedy said: "The shape of this necessary response will, of course, be carefully considered not only here in Washington but in the State conference with our allies which begins next Monday" in Bangkok.

"No one should doubt our resolution on this point," he said. "We are faced with a clear and one-sided threat of a change in the internationally agreed position of Laos."

"This threat runs counter to the will of the Laotian people who wish only to be independent and neutral."

At another point he said he would not put a time limit for

a settlement but the situation each day becomes more serious. Mr Kennedy devoted almost his entire conference to the Laotian question.

He made clear that the response of the Soviet Union to the United States effort to win a ceasefire in Laos and create a neutral country will go a long way toward determining the future of US-Soviet relations.

The aim

"This response we get will tell us what kind of a future our world is going to have," he said.

President Kennedy reaffirmed that the United States gives its strong and unreserved support for a neutral and independent Laos adding that its support to the present government of Laos is aimed at that result.

President Kennedy in reiterating his request for a peaceful and independent Laos told his press conference that the United States strongly supports the latest British proposal for prompt negotiations in order to reach a peaceful solution of Laos.

He admitted that a dangerous military situation now prevails with what he termed as substantial progress having been made by Communist forces to take over the whole of the kingdom. Mr Kennedy admitted that Luang Prabang was endangered and that Communist forces were advancing toward Vientiane. The United States is concerned and feels the situation to be critical.

Receiving aid

President Kennedy reported there was evidence that groups from the Vietnam were involved in the military operations.

Returning to the latest Western openings for a peaceful solution to the Laotian crisis, President Kennedy said he was hopeful it would be possible to get a quick judgment as to the prospects of such a settlement. He stressed that the local Communist forces in Laos in their military advance, had been receiving increasing support and directions from abroad.

He said that Soviet planes had been seen engaged in a large-scale effort in the combat zone. These planes had made more than a thousand flights since December 13, and the Pathet Lao forces obtained support from a whole group of military specialists sent mainly from North Vietnam. They received, from outside, heavy weapons. All this, Mr Kennedy said, was done with the obvious aim of ending, by military action, Laos' neutrality, which had been agreed upon.

This new dimension given to the fighting, by the support from outside, gave the problem its present gravity, Mr Kennedy said.—AP and AFP.

MACMILLAN CALLS CABINET MEETING

London, Mar. 23.

Mr Harold Macmillan called a meeting of his Cabinet late tonight—the second within seven hours. When the Ministers met in the Prime Minister's room in the House of Commons five minutes before midnight, they had before them a transcript of what President Kennedy had said about Laos and other matters at his press conference this evening, political quarters here said.

The Laos situation, understood to have been one of the main subjects at the earlier 90-minute Cabinet meeting this evening, was again discussed. The quarters said Mr Macmillan was anxious to have a final talk with his ministerial colleagues on outstanding questions before leaving London Airport for his visit to the West Indies tomorrow morning, and had the meeting not been held tonight, the alternative would have been to have held it very early in the morning.—Reuter.

Spy lawyers consider possible appeals

London, Mar. 23. Lawyers for four of the five people sentenced to a total of 95 years jail for spying here yesterday were today considering an appeal.

Legal advisers for Ethel Gee and Henry Houghton, Admiralty clerks, said they had not yet reached a decision on whether to appeal against their 15-year terms.

Advocates for Peter Kroger and his wife, Helen, alias Mrs Helen Cohen—who were each given 20 years, said they would announce their decision within 48 hours.

The London firm of solicitors acting for Gordon, Lonsdale, described at the trial as a Russian master-spy, announced his intention to appeal immediately after the 25-year sentence was imposed on him.—China Mail Special.

Labour win byelection in Birmingham

Birmingham, Mar. 23. The Labour opposition retained its Parliamentary seat for the Small Heath district of Birmingham with an increased majority in a bye-election today.

The result, announced late tonight, was Denis Howell (Labour) 12,182 votes, Bernard Owens (Conservative) 5,923 votes, and William Kirk (Liberal) 2,476 votes. Labour's majority over the Conservatives was 6,259 votes.

Only 42.1 per cent of the electorate of about 50,000 voted, compared with 55.7

per cent in the 1950 General Election, when Labour's majority in a straight fight with a Conservative was 4,931.

FORFEITED DEPOSIT

The byelection was caused by the death of the 1950 winner, Mr Kirk, the first Liberal to contest the seat since 1951. He lost the £150 deposit which is forfeited if a candidate does not obtain one eighth of the total vote.

Political observers interpreted the result as a setback to the leftwing of the Labour Party, which favours unilateral nuclear disarmament by Britain.

Mr Galskell, the party leader, has said Britain should keep nuclear weapons so long as other world powers have them. Mr Howell was one of the founders of the "victory for sanity" movement, a pro-Galskell organisation which later entered the "campaign for multilateral disarmament." The strength of the House of Commons now is: Conservatives and associates 309, Labour 247, Liberal six, Independent eight.—Reuter & UPI.

VERWOERD CRITICISES MACMILLAN'S ATTACK ON POLICY

Capetown, Mar. 23.

Dr Hendrik Verwoerd, South African Prime Minister, criticised the British Prime Minister Mr Harold Macmillan today and declared "his policy in regard to Africa is wrong."

British policy in Africa, Dr Verwoerd believed, did not do justice to the white man or ultimately to the black man. Multi-racial policy led to black domination.

Dr Verwoerd, who was cheered by Government supporters, was addressing Parliament on South Africa's withdrawal of application for continued membership in the Commonwealth. The opposition leader, Sir De Villiers Graaf, who spoke immediately after Dr Verwoerd, claimed that South Africa "suffered the biggest diplomatic defeat" in her history at the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference in London.

Black domination

Dr Verwoerd, in his criticism of the British Prime Minister, said: "I see the white man disappearing from Kenya in the course of time or being totally submerged."

"Starting with the idea of junior partnership they have already reached the stage of black domination that is the path that will be followed elsewhere."

Dr Verwoerd thought Mr Macmillan's statement in the House of Commons yesterday that South Africa's flag was at half-mast was wrong. It would have been true if South Africa had yielded to the pressures of the Afro-Asian group because she would have been committing "race suicide." South Africa's flag was today "flying at the top of the mast."

Dr Verwoerd told Parliament that when formal application was made at the conference for the country's continued membership in the Commonwealth "the United Kingdom immediately supported my application."

Dr Verwoerd said it became clear that Afro-Asian members would use every occasion to try to force South Africa to change her policy by threatening she should be put out of the Commonwealth.

The demand had been for full and absolute equality, and that the white man could nowhere in the world try to look for his own security by limiting his borders for his own preservation.

Mr Robert Menzies, the Australian Prime Minister, had feared this would be the source of future attacks, Dr Verwoerd said, "I am sure they will come."

Dr Verwoerd said he pointed out to the conference that South Africa looked along different ways to co-existence, and that groups had the right to their own existence and independence, geographically and spiritually.

"Naturally there would be a period of transition and there would be discrimination, just as discrimination existed in India, Malaya and all other countries where a transitional period had been experienced."

No reason

But that was no reason for trying to exclude South Africa, Dr Verwoerd continued. The policy of co-existence made no impression. There was a demand that numbers should rule even if it meant the absorption of whites.

"There I had to draw the line," he said. A small concession would have been "only a temporary measure to reach a temporary goal, but eventually would have meant total capitulation."—Reuter.

Portuguese walk out of Assembly

United Nations, Mar. 23. Portugal today walked out of the General Assembly discussion on Angola.

The Portuguese Ambassador, Mr Vasco V. Garin, lodged the "strongest possible protest" against an Afro-Asian request to make "the situation in Angola" a subject for assembly discussions. He said Portugal cannot take part in any such discussion, "but I am leaving these proceedings."

The entire Portuguese delegation walked out of the General Assembly with Mr Garin. Mr Garin, in a voice which shook with emotion, reiterated previous protests that Angola was an integral part of the Portuguese nation and UN interference was illegal.—UPI.

General Election hint

London, Mar. 23.

Sir Eric Edwards, Chairman of the National Executive of the Conservative Party, today dropped a hint that Britain might have a General Election late in 1963.

The last General Election was in October 1959, when the Conservatives won a clear victory. The maximum constitutional life of a British Government is five years.

Sir Eric gave a pointer for a 1963 election when speaking to the national conference of the party's Executive Council on sites for future annual party conferences usually scheduled for the autumn of each year.

He said: "We recommend that Llandudno (in Wales) shall be the place next year, and Blackpool in 1963. At Blackpool we can get everyone in one hall. That means if there were to be a General Election soon after—as might be possible—we shall have had the conference before the election in one hall."

Usually the annual rallies have trouble in accommodating all delegates in the one hall.—China Mail Special.

Old bride

Buenos Aires, Mar. 23. A 101-year-old woman was married here today—for the fifth time. The bride, Vicenta Cavallera, expressed no concern over the difference in age between herself and her husband who is 65.—AFP.

UNSETTLED WEATHER

The weather is expected to remain unsettled for a few days, a spokesman for the Royal Observatory said today. Temperatures would be lower, there would be periods of rain and occasional thunderstorms, he said.

FULL REVIEW OF BRITISH ADMIRALTY SECURITY

London, Mar. 23.

Britain has ordered a full review of Admiralty security arrangements following London's big spy trial, Mr Harold Macmillan announced today.

The Prime Minister told the House of Commons he had no grounds to suppose that any information belonging to the United States or any Nato country was among that passed to unauthorised sources by the five persons sentenced to long prison terms yesterday for probing British naval secrets.

"There is no possibility of information connected with nuclear research and development or information concerning nuclear weapons or nuclear propulsion having been passed on by these spies," he added.

No evidence

"While it was not in the public interest to reveal the amount of damage done there was no evidence to suggest that the information involved covered more than a relatively limited sector of the whole field of British naval weapons," he said.

At Portland, naval underwater weapons centre, on one south coast, where Admiralty employees passed out secrets to other members of the spy ring, a committee of inquiry is being set up to check security weaknesses. The Prime Minister is minister responsible for British counter-espionage.

His statement had subsequent questions from the Labour opposition following yesterday's sentencing to a total of 95 years' jail of three men and two women on spying charges.

Confidence

Mr Hugh Galskell, Labour leader, said in the Commons today there seemed to be a lack of co-ordination between the British and United States security services and between the Foreign Office and Admiralty here. He suggested a wider inquiry was needed.

Mr Macmillan replied that he had "every confidence" that information given him by experts was correct.—Reuter.

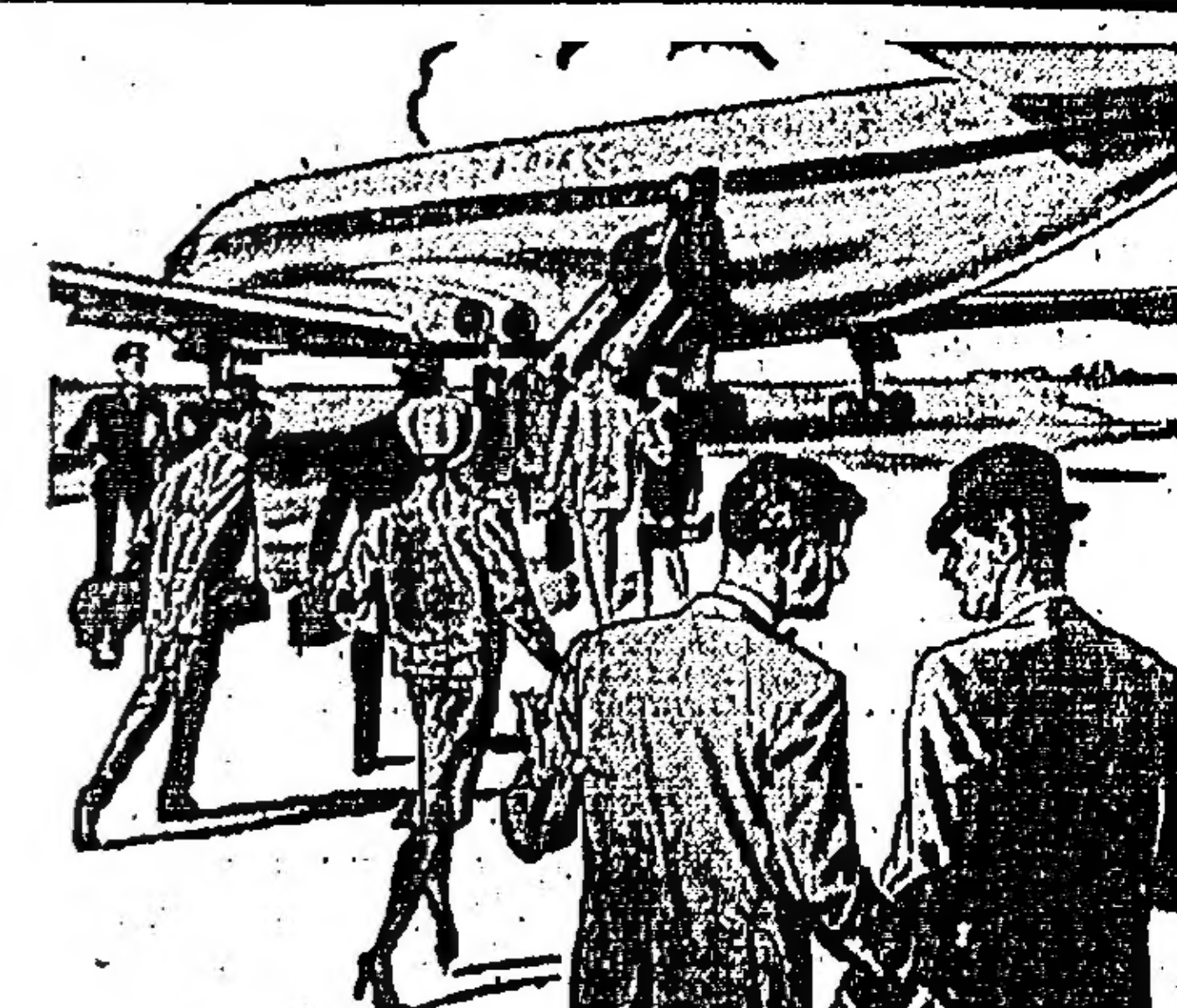
Plane fuel tank lands in town

Nottingham, Mar. 23.

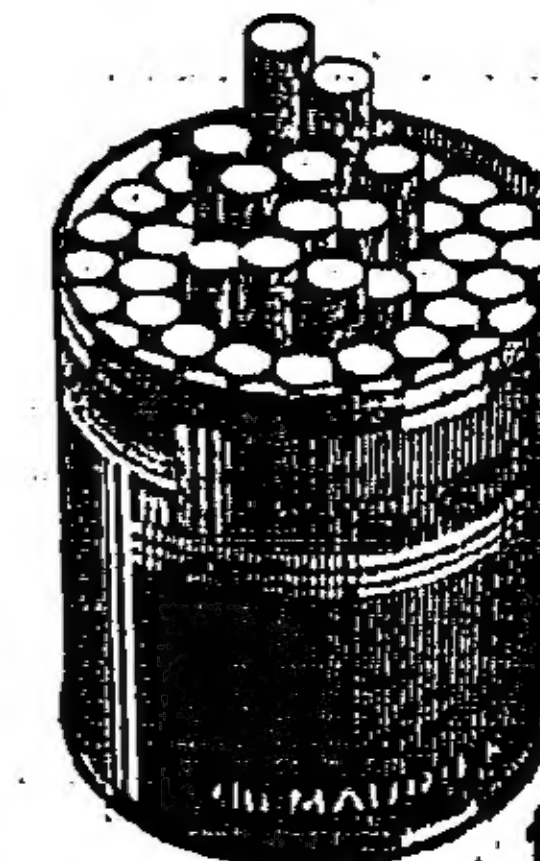
A fuel tank from a jet plane fell today onto the main street on the town of Bulwell (population 20,000), near Nottingham.

It did not hit any vehicles, and apparently no one was in the vicinity.

The aircraft, believed to have been on a flight from a nearby Royal Air Force station, later landed safely.—Reuter.



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WEEKLY REPORT ON THE HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

RECESSION SETS IN

*But idle money
still in
evidence*

The first recession in a long time set in in Ice House-street the past week as stocks weakened all along the line.

The recession, believed by some observers to be of temporary duration, has immediately followed a period of record-breaking business, both in price and volume, in the Hongkong Stock Exchange.

There was no sudden tumble in share prices, but rather a gradual easing off which began two weeks ago and was accentuated during the past week. The daily volume of business has remained good, still reflecting the large amount of idle funds, much of it from overseas, circulating in the Colony.

Declines ranged from Lombard's minus \$1 at 49 to Docks' minus \$17 at \$132. There were, however, two exceptions — Hongkong Banks and Providents.

A feature of the week was the introduction of the new Hongkong Bank shares representing one-fifth value of the former shares.

The new shares opened at \$422 and closed at \$432 on Monday. It gradually went up to a peak of \$456 on Wednesday, but went down to \$428 at yesterday's close.

The quotation of \$428 is equal to \$2,140 at the "old" value compared with \$1,985 the previous week. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharves, which had been rapidly rising, hit a peak of \$400 on Monday, probably in anticipation of a better dividend. The following day the company declared a dividend of \$12 per share, compared with \$8 last year.

The turnover for the week under review (Friday to yesterday) amounted to about \$45,220,000, compared with \$45,100,000 for the week before.

Unit Funds

The Hongkong Unit Funds Limited have introduced the

Second Hongkong Fund, with an offer of one million units at \$1 each. Any member of the public may subscribe to the Fund. Subscriptions opened on March 20 and will close on March 28 at 3.30 pm.

Since the inauguration of the First Hongkong Fund in August, 1960, those shares have appreciated by 43 per cent. Today's quotation is \$1.31 buyers and \$1.43 sellers.

Small investors can now buy shares in the Second Hongkong Fund at \$1 par value. However, after March 28, the sale of those shares will fluctuate according to the value of shares and investments included in the Fund, that is the "sell" price.

Market diary

Friday: The market was again strong and price changes were not sensational. Utilities were steady and were done in some quantity. Banks passed the \$2,000 barrier and the London Register improved in sympathy albeit still \$400 lower. Providents rose to \$30 after their recent recession. Rubbers improved fractionally while Cements made the \$70 mark. Turnover was approximately \$11,700,000 with the closing tone strong.

Dividend & Bonus announcements during the week:

Yau-mat Ferry (Old) Final \$0.50 per share.

Amalgamated Rubber Interim 12 cents per share.

Construction Final 20 cents per share.

HK Gas 80 cents (-/-) per share.

A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. \$1.50 & Bonus \$1. per share.

Monday: There was no general trend today, but some rather remarkable changes in selected shares. Banks and the Light Companies opened with marked gains, the former rising steadily in price to close at their strongest well above their previous best. The new price of the "split" shares at \$432 represent \$2,160 at the old denomination. Docks lost quite a lot of ground while Wharves rose to the \$400 mark. Gilman's receded steadily and closed at \$450. Turnover was approximately \$10,120,000.

Tuesday: The market was in a selective mood, and gains and losses were mixed. The main trend however was decidedly easier. Banks again dominated the market but sellers were absent because of the difficulty of delivering scrip at the new denominations. Electric shares were steady but Gas eased during the day. Gilman's made some recovery and closed at \$485. Most other stocks registered small losses. Turnover was approximately \$9,700,000.

Wednesday: Business was on a quieter scale today and most shares were marked down on very selective trading. The market trend changed near the close and nearly every share turned upwards and the day ended on a busy note with more buyers than sellers. Turnover was approximately \$5,000,000.

Thursday: The market eased again today on a wide front, nearly every share being marked down. Profit takers were in evidence and buyers were attracted at the lower prices. The two-way business resulting in a good average turnover of \$8,100,000.

Unit trust

First Hongkong Fund:
Buyer Bid: \$1.31
Seller Ask: \$1.43

★ The share market at a glance ★

	Feb. 23	March 2	March 9	March 16	March 23	Up or Down	Dividend & Bonus	Yield (%)
HK Bank	1875	1865	1930	1885	428*	-1	\$60	2.8
Lombard	45 1/2	46	52	50	40	-1	42	4.3
Wheelock	12.40	14	15	15.30	14.10	-1.20	0.00	3.2
HK Wharf	292	292	330	322	370	-12	\$12	3.2
HK Docks	135	139	150	140	132	-17	\$10	7.0
Talkoo Docks	74	74 1/2	80 1/2	74	75 1/2	-1 1/2	\$10	4.4
Provident	20.85	20.80	20.30	20	20.20	-0.05	\$1.30	6.5
HK Hotels	46 1/2	48 1/2	50 1/2	48 1/2 ex all	46 ex all	-2 1/2	\$3	6.5
HK Lands	84 1/2	85 1/2	91 1/2	78 ex all	73 1/2	-4 1/2	\$2.40	3.3
HK Realty	2.125	2.15	2.80	2.725	2 1/2	-2 1/2	\$13.75	5.5
HK Trams	35	34 1/2	38	34 1/2	32 1/2	-2 1/2	\$2.05	6.3
Star Ferry	22 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	20 1/2	-1	\$10.50	5.1
Yau-mat Ferry	136	137	145	145	132 1/2	-12 1/2	\$9.50	7.2
Ch Light	30 1/2	31	33 1/2	30 1/2	35 1/2	-5	\$1.70	4.8
Electric	40 1/2	42 1/2	48	45 1/2	43 1/2	-2	\$1.75	4.3
HK Telephone	40 1/2	42 1/2	48	45 1/2	43 1/2	-2	\$1.70	4.3
G. I. Cement	60 1/2	69	72 1/2	69 1/2	60	-9 1/2	\$4	6.1
Dairy Farm	35 1/2	37	43 1/2	42	40	-2	\$1.85	4.0
A. S. Watson	46	46	51	48 1/2	47 1/2	-1	\$2.50	5.2
Lane, Crawford	48 1/2	46 1/2	52 1/2	50	47 1/2	-2 1/2	\$2.75	5.8
Int'l Investment	13.80	14.30	15.10	15	14.00	-1	750	5.1
Allied	9.90	11.30	13	12.70	11.80	-0.90	\$1	8.1
HK & F Inv	17.10	17 1/2	20.00	18.20	18.20	-1.70	\$80	9.8
Nanyang Corp	8.15	8.05	9.05	8.70	8.15	-550	\$1.10	8.6
	13.20	13	14 1/2	13.80	12.80	-1		

(Sub-divided into five shares)

New York recovers some losses

New York, Mar. 23.

Stocks recovered some of their early losses in a late rally today but steady selling pressure sharply depressed the rails.

Motors finished the day virtually unchanged while most steels showed minor fractional declines. Chemicals continued weak with Du Pont and Eastman Kodak down around two each, but electronics picked up near the finish with IBM ahead three and Raytheon and Litton roughly four. Drug and oil shares were generally easier, showing some losses over a point. Chemical issues were mixed with Johnson & Johnson down about 2 1/2 and U.S. gypsum up about the same amount.

Point-sized losses were many among the rails on profit-taking and new selling encouraged by poor February earnings and recent sharp gains in the group.

Aircraft shares were mixed with Gessco off nearly two but Northrop and Lockheed gained more than a point.

Today's volume was 5,170,000 shares.

Of a total 1,313 shares traded, 347 were higher and 730 lower. American exchange volume was 3,100,000 shares.

Total volume amounted to \$7,600,000.

Dow-Jones closing stock averages:

30 Industrials 675.45 off 3.93.

20 Rails 14.50 off 2.22.

15 Utilities 111.07 off 0.40.

85 Stocks 228.34 off 1.52.

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Closing prices

Abitibi Pwr. & Paper	\$ 40 1/2
Alden Inc. Acy.	70
Algonquin Steel	50 1/2
Allied Chemicals	50 1/2
Allied Mills Inc.	26 1/2
Am. Brake Shoe	44 1/2
American Airline	22 1/2
Am. Can. Co.	47 1/2
American Cyanamid Co.	47 1/2
Am. Gas & Electric	107 1/2
Am. Mach. & F'dry.	108 1/2
American Metal	27
Am. Natural Gas	9 1/2
American Smelting	62 1/2
Am. Sugar Ref.	12
Am. Tel. & Tel.	114 1/2
Ampex	74 1/2
Anacosta Copper	22 1/2
Armour	47 1/2
Asbestos Corp.	27 1/2
Atlas Corp. Mining	15 1/2
Baldwin-Lima-Ham.	35 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	32 1/2
Bank of Montreal	62 1/2
Bank of Nova Scotia	62 1/2
Beech Life Savers	60 1/2
B. C. Tel. Co.	40
Bell Telephone	40
Beneficial Finance	43 1/2
Benjamin Franklin	43 1/2
Bentley Aviation Corp.	43 1/2
Bentley Corp.	43 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	43 1/2
Borden (The) Co.	43 1/2
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Lord Home on Geneva conference, apartheid

London, Mar. 23.

The Earl of Home, Foreign Secretary, said here today there was now nothing which need stand between "us and an agreement" at the Geneva nuclear weapons test ban conference unless the Russians did not really want to disarm.

Lord Home, who was addressing a meeting at the Conservative Political Centre, said: "Two days ago the United States and Britain made substantial concessions to the Russians. There is now nothing which need stand between us and an agreement unless for some reason known only to themselves the Russians do not really want to disarm."

As for general disarmament he said he had little doubt that those principles recently underwritten by the Commonwealth Prime Ministers conference here provided an acceptable framework for practical disarmament.

Referring to the historic Commonwealth conference, which ended on March 17, Lord Home said: "This week a foundation member (South Africa) of the Commonwealth had to leave the Commonwealth."

"I will not argue the rights and wrongs in terms of Commonwealth practice. But basically the reason was that the practice of apartheid (racial discrimination) by one of the members was bound to destroy the influence of an association which is nothing if it is not multi-racial."

"It is proper that members should show themselves vigilant of man's dignity. But they must be resolute to stand up for human rights against any tyranny anywhere, and against Communism which is the cruelest tyranny of all."

Other major points made by Lord Home were:

1. Interdependence between Britain and the United States is the kernel of the defence system of the free world.

2. Economically and politically Britain's decision to create the modern multi-racial Commonwealth was a decisive move towards a conscious policy of interdependence.

3. The greatest need of the Commonwealth was for capital development. Western Europe and Britain could be the decisive source of capital and the best guarantee of expansion for the Commonwealth in the years to come.

4. The Russians and their friends contributed in investment and aid to countries overseas a total of £400 million in a year. The West's contribution to investment and aid was £2,100,000,000 annually.—Reuters.

Duke leaves escort behind

Glasgow, Mar. 23.

The Duke of Edinburgh led journalists, police and local officials a merry dance up a steep mountainside today during a visit to the Cairngorm area, a popular Highland skiing district.

After being driven eight miles along a mountain road, the Duke suddenly stepped from his official car and plunged on foot into the thick heather and bogland leaving his escort far behind.

When he reached his goal—the "White Lady" ski slope—he turned and chuckled while waiting for his breathless followers to catch up.—China Mail Special.

SLUSH IN NY

New York, Mar. 23.

Rain, sleet and snow fell on New York today. The Weather Bureau said there could be a good amount of snow with the rain but that generally only slushy conditions would prevail.—AP.

A British Crossword Puzzle

1 Want, 4 Ralse, 8 Healthy, 9 Buy things, 11 Engrossed, 13 Young tree, 14 Fodder, 16 Cut, 18 Bright, 21 Raven, 22 Figures, 24 Mature, 25 Cautious, 28 Dated, 30 Storage place, 31 Parched, 32 Blockhead, 33 Coin.

1 Girl, 2 Yield, 3 Cautions, 4 Material, 5 Hopful, 7 Drink, 9 Being obliged, 10 Obvious, 12 Afterwards, 15 Cunning, 17 Vessels, 19 Contends with, 20 Stage setting, 23 Fabric, 24 Greedy, 26 Splendid, 27 Misdad, 28 Headwear.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Barges, 4 Scot, 7 Plet, 9 Canada, 10 Rose, 12 Crow, 13 Flea, 14 Nod, 16 Rue, 17 Ally, 20 Anzac, 23 Name, 24 Visual, 25 Aisle, 26 Wont, 27 Lonely. Down: 1 Backs, 2 King, 3 Space, 4 Sere, 5 Crowns, 6 Tweed, 11 Real, 13 Loan, 15 Seaman, 16 Renew, 18 Level, 19 Pally, 21 Next, 22 Cure.

Clergyman jailed for 3 years

London, Mar. 23.

A 41-year-old Anglican rector who photographed a young girl naked and was said to have had a "persistent corruptive influence" on her between the ages of 13 and 16, was sentenced at Lewes today to three years imprisonment.

John Frederick Forester Gardner, until recently Rector of Balmombe, Sussex, had pleaded guilty at the Assizes to abducting the girl in February, when she was 16, with intent to have intercourse.

He pleaded guilty to two other charges of serious offences against her.

HERO WORSHIP

Prosecuting counsel said the girl, who had developed a sort of "hero worship" for Gardner, had once written thanking him for bringing her "nearer to God."

BEEN IN NAVY

A police witness said Gardner had been in the Navy, as a rating and an officer and had a previously good character.

The Bishop of Lewes, Dr J. H. L. Morrell, gave evidence that Gardner was induced by him in 1956, and done unusually good work in the parish.

He had now signed a deed relinquishing holy orders. A letter was read from the Bishop of Chichester, saying steps would be taken to rehabilitate Gardner in secular work.—Reuters.

JAPAN BID TO RAISE TEXTILE EXPORTS TO U.S.

Washington, Mar. 23.

Japan proposed today to raise by about 30 per cent its export quotas on textile shipments to the American market.

The State Department informally advised the Japanese Embassy in advance of today's first formal meeting on the issue that the U.S. Government could not endorse the plan at this time.

However, the Embassy Minister Mr. Akira Nishiyama said that he received "no indication" that our programme has been turned down in advance and he was "hopeful they (the U.S. Government) will give us favourable consideration."

HANDS TIED

U.S. officials told lower ranking Japanese officials yesterday that the State Department's hands are tied on all textile trade matters until the cabinet-level textile committee completes its study of the complex problem.

Before the committee are conflicting demands by the U.S. textile industry and its congressional supporters for import restrictions and demands by other groups including key administration officials and Democratic senators for maintenance of a liberal trade policy.—UPI.

UN MAY GO BACK TO SUPPLY PORTS

Laopoldville, Mar. 23.

The Congolese Government announced for the first time today that it might concede to the United Nations the right to station its troops in the supply centres on the Congo River from which it was evicted two weeks ago.

President Joseph Kasavubu left today on a three day fact-finding tour of the Lower Congo, where the centres are situated.

The official announcement of his departure said the visit was "in connection with the eventual return of UN forces into the region."

Until now the Congolese have been adamant in their refusal to allow any but UN civil personnel back to the port of Matadi.

At the same time, the UN admitted that it had no idea on the fate of 23 ships and the cargoes they were due to have landed at Matadi after the end of the first week in March, when the UN troops were forced out.

ASSUMPTION

Mr. Habib Ahmed of Pakistan, the chief UN administrative officer told a press conference hundreds of tons of food and other supplies were presumed to have been discharged and held at Matadi.

"The bulk of the food could have rotted," he said. "But as we have no one in Matadi we can only assume that the ships have docked. We would have heard if they had not."

Mr. Ahmed admitted in reply to questions that the UN had made no effort to confirm the arrival. They had not contacted the ships' owners or made enquiries in other directions.

VICE ADMIRAL CRITICISED IN AUSTRALIA

Canberra, Mar. 23.

The Chairman of the Australian Chiefs of Staff Committee, Vice Admiral Sir Roy Dowling, had no political "nouse" (Australian term for brains), Deputy Labour opposition leader, Mr. Edward Whitlam, said today.

Mr. Whitlam said this in the House of Representatives when the Minister for Defence, Mr. Athol Townley, was answering a question based on a reported statement by Sir Roy in Bangkok this week.

The report quoted Sir Roy as saying Australian troops could begin moving into Laos within a matter of hours.

Mr. Townley said Sir Roy was a man with a distinguished record.

Mr. Whitlam: "But he is not a member of the silent service."

Mr. Townley said Sir Roy had no political authority whatever.

Mr. Whitlam: "Or nouse." Sir Roy had given a lifetime of distinguished service to the armed services, Mr. Townley said. To judge a man by a newspaper report which came from a foreign country with a different language would be grossly unfair, he added.

Sir Roy is in Bangkok as Australia's chief delegate to the meeting of State military advisers.—China Mail Special.

French radio and television technicians announced today they would stage a three-day strike over the Easter weekend to back up claims for wage increases and a new statute.

The strike is due to start at midnight on March 31 and end at midnight on April 3. The radio will broadcast recorded music and three news bulletins a day.—Reuters.

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Oil prospectors assert they were captured by soldiers not tribesmen

Las Palmas, Canary Island, Mar. 23.

A spokesman for 11 oil prospectors released from Moroccan captivity today challenged King Hassan's claim that they were captured by tribesmen and said they were seized inside Spanish territory by Moroccan army soldiers.

Spanish Sahara (Rio De Oro), said that "patriotic" tribesmen angry at foreign infringement on Moroccan territory seized the oilmen and turned them over to the army.

A Spaniard among the prospecting party, which included three Americans and two Canadians, also said in Rabat they were taken first by armed tribesmen.

STORY OF KIDNAPPING Barker told this story of the kidnapping: "The men were working at 8 o'clock in the evening of Saturday the 11th when suddenly, they don't know how, they found themselves surrounded by approximately 30 men of the Moroccan armed forces. The men were working with a drill more than a mile

inside the Spanish territory of the Sahara.

"The men were taken prisoner and taken to Morocco in four trucks that were stolen from the company. At first they were treated with violence, pushed around and hit with rifle butts. One Moroccan fired a shot, slightly wounding one of the Canadians in the neck."

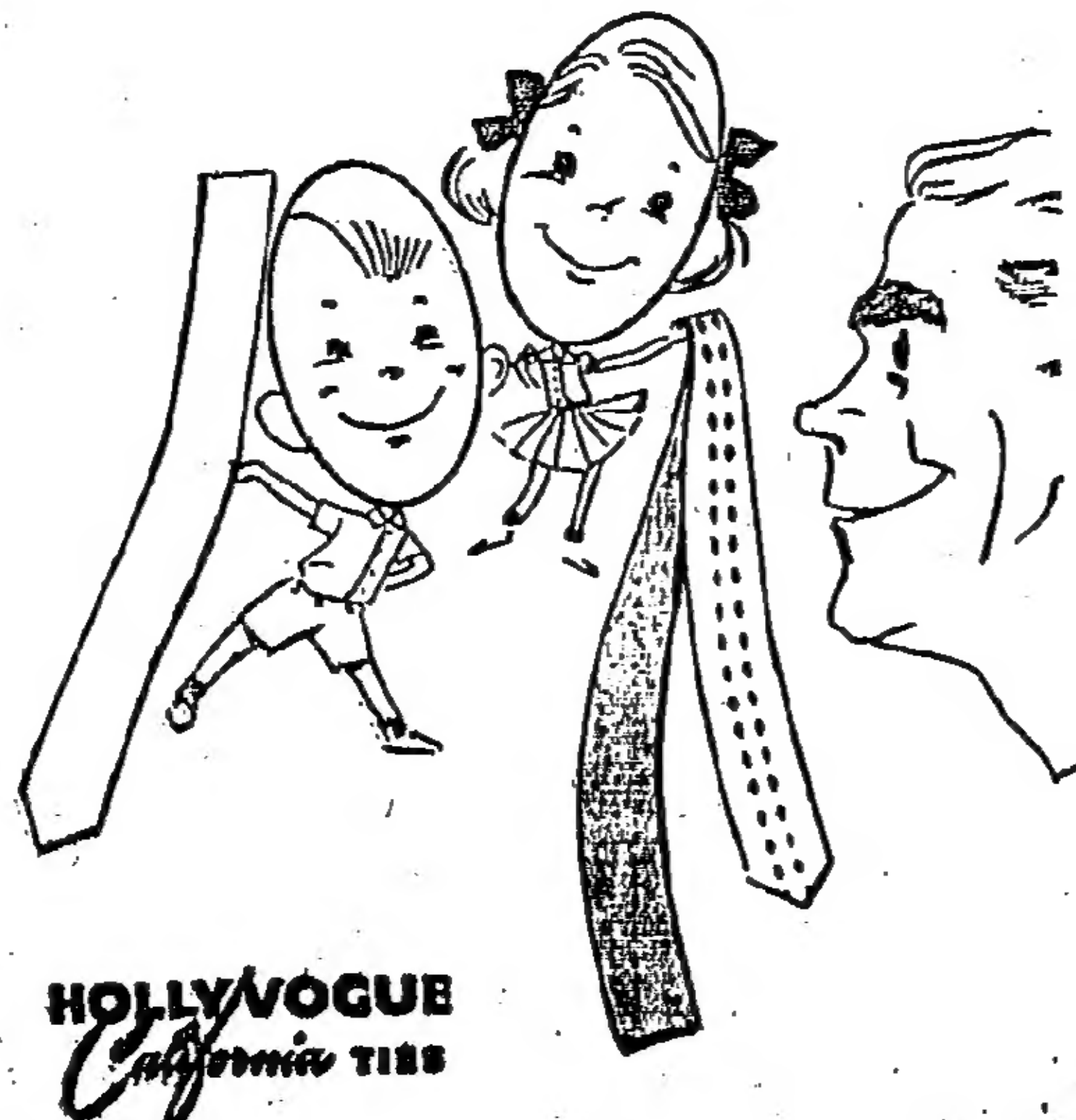
Barker did not identify the wounded Canadian. The company official said the men were confined in a barracks in Tan Tan for three days and kept on light rations and then kept in the military academy in Rabat until their release.

Barker said the prospectors will leave tomorrow or Saturday to return to their jobs in the Spanish Sahara.—AP.

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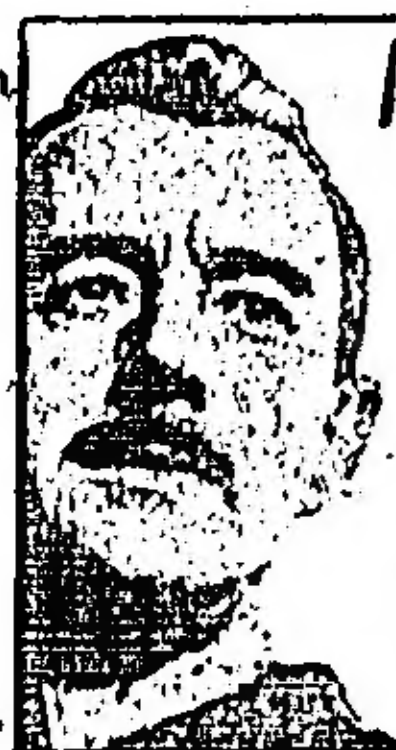
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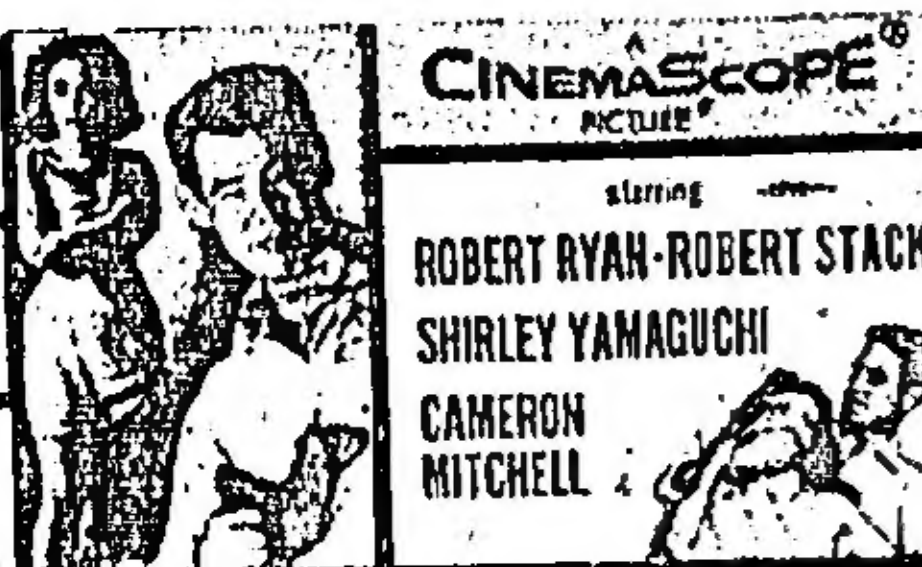
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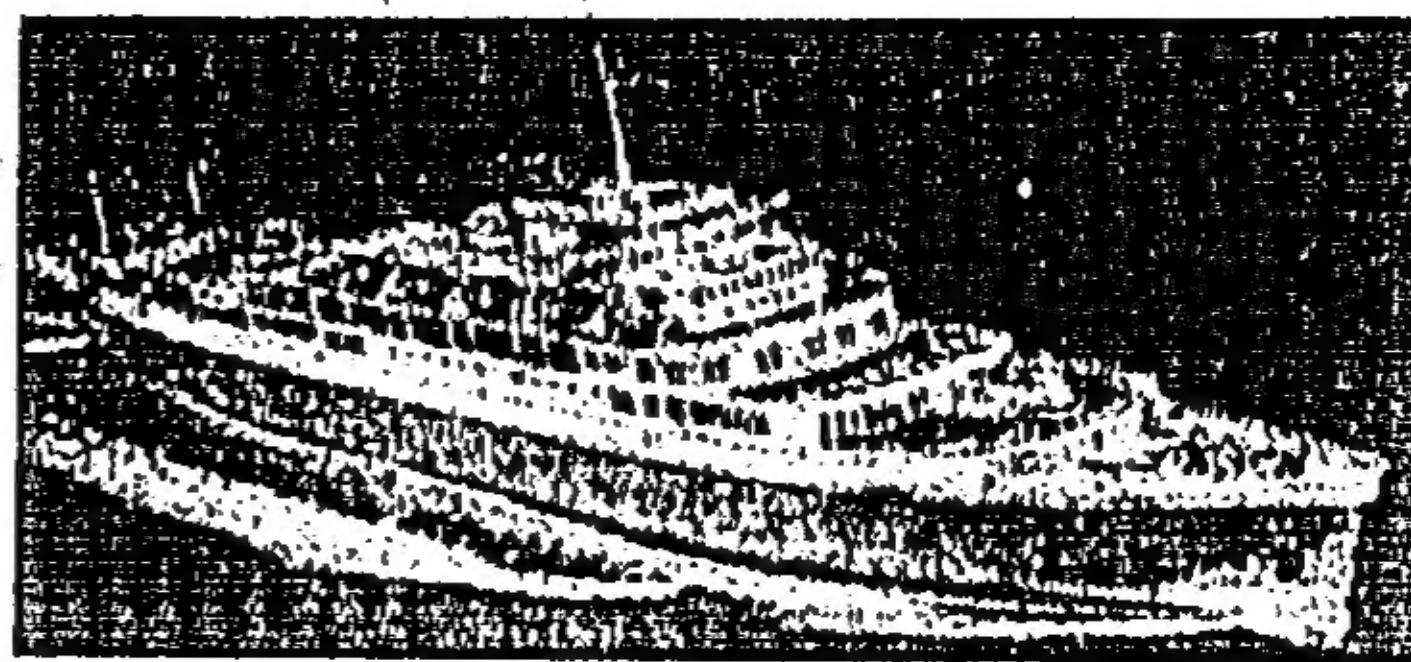
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PORTUGUESE
ELECTION
SYSTEM
CHANGED

Lisbon, March 23.

The Portuguese election system was officially altered today by a decree that provides for the indirect election of the President of the Republic.

The decree published in today's official journal embodies the constitutional reform to this effect adopted by the Portuguese National Assembly in August 1959.

Until now, the Portuguese President has been elected by universal suffrage. The President will in future be elected by a limited electoral college. This will include the members of both Houses of Parliament, and municipal and provincial representatives elected by secret ballot sixty days before the presidential election.

The election of the Portuguese President will be made without any preliminary debate in the electoral college. The candidates will be required to register with the Supreme Court of Justice at least five days before the election, and will have to be introduced by at least twenty and a maximum of fifty members of the electoral college.

Three days before the election, the Supreme Court of Justice will judge the eligibility of the candidates.—AP.

Escaper caught
after a year

London, Mar. 23.

A prisoner who escaped from Parkhurst, Isle of Wight, in January last year, was found recently at Raynes Park, Surrey.

The man, 33-year-old Ernest Taylor, will appear at Croydon charged with breaking and entering a warehouse last October and stealing £70.—London Express Service.

Thirteen days and 7,000 miles later, at Southampton, the story was still told confidently. More than half the crew had heard about it when the Windsor Castle crossed the Equator.

By the time she tied up at Southampton the other day, hardly a man was left who did not believe that a mysterious, unknown cabin had been discovered on the homeward voyage.

Dirty glass

This is the strange story they told: A ship's officer on a routine inspection of the liner from the quay at Cape Town noticed a porthole with very dirty glass.

He went aboard to trace the steward who had failed to clean the glass, but there was no sign of either the steward or the cabin.

An able seaman was lowered over the side on a rope to look into the cabin. When he was hauled on deck again he reported excitedly that through dust and cobwebs he had espied a double cabin complete with bunks, wash basin, chest of drawers—but no door!

As the ship sailed for England, a hunt was on for the cabin without a door.

And after a process of tapping against bulkheads and partitions, the cabin was found in the crew's sleeping quarters on D Deck forward. Fixed firmly over the door was a shiny wall of plastic covering, matching that used in many parts of the ship. A hole was cut and there was revealed the cabin which had never been used.

'Nonsense'

But at Southampton no one could say exactly where the mysterious cabin was. Men on D Deck said they had been assured on the most reliable authority that it was forward on the next deck up.

And there, well, they had heard that it was definitely down on D Deck.

Captain John Oakley, master of the Windsor Castle, threw back his head and laughed heartily when asked about his phantom cabin.

"It is absolutely the first thing I have heard of it," he said. "It is complete nonsense—just a shipboard rumour or a big leg-pull."

But in the town the sailors were relating to wives and friends the full details of the odd story of the phantom cabin.

Denies sex discrimination

BBC drops
woman TV news
announcer

London, Mar. 23.

The British Broadcasting Corporation has dropped its only woman television news announcer, a corporation spokesman said.

But he denied that this was sex discrimination on the corporation's part. "We have a new news editor and he has taken this decision in respect of Nan Winton, our only woman news reader," the spokesman said.

"But this does not mean that women may not read the national news bulletins at some future date."

Miss Winton 34, was first tried on the national news last June. She was dropped last November, but brought back after protests from viewers.

She now will continue to do other work for the BBC.—China Mail Special.

Unemployment
record

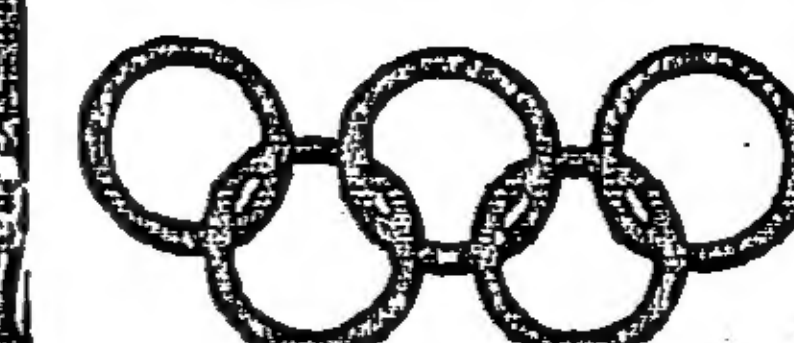
Ottawa, March 23.

Canadian unemployment in mid-February set a postwar record of 719,000. The figure, announced on Thursday, represents 11.3 per cent of the country's 6,369,000 workers.—AP.

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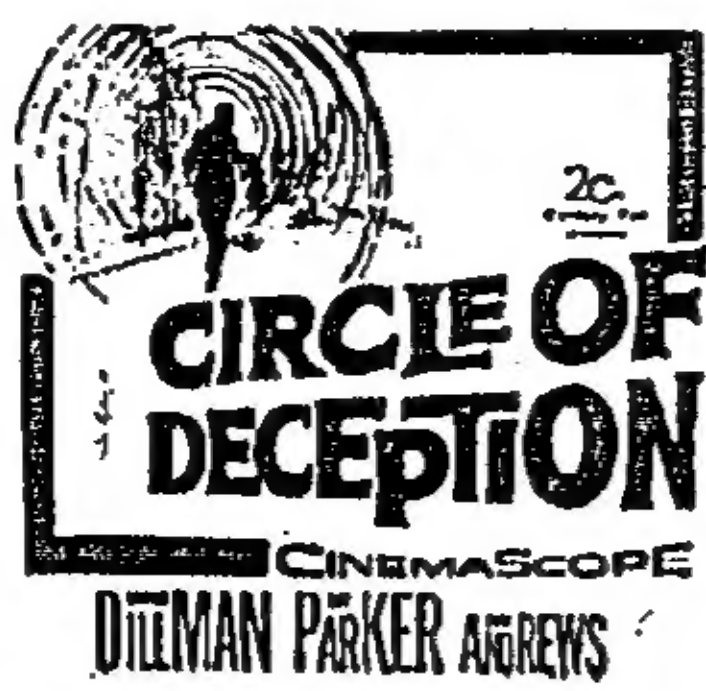
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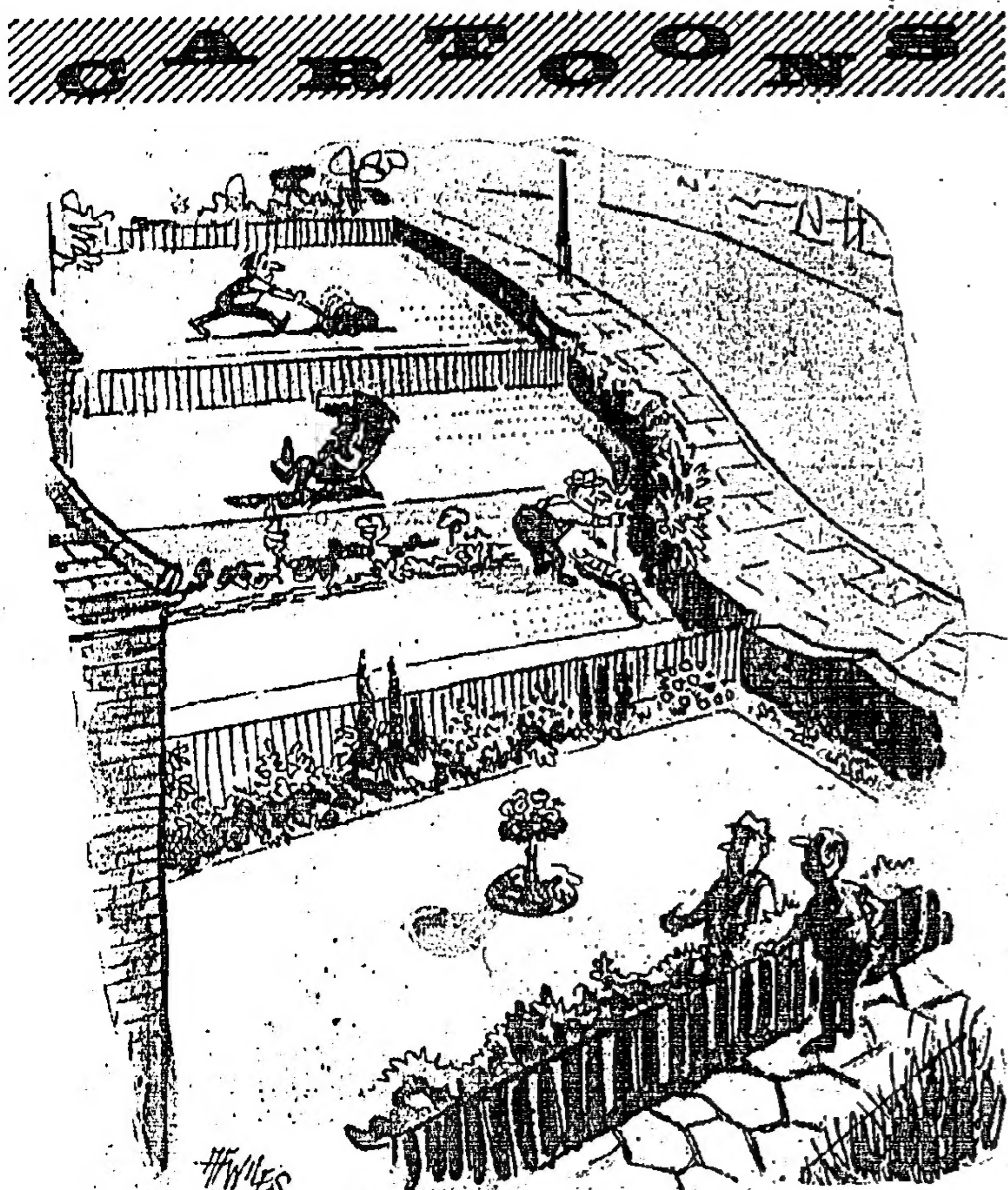
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THE DEVIL'S DOCTOR

Now net closes on another of Hitler's horror camp men

From WILLI FRISCHAUER, Munich.

THE year was 1943. A typhus epidemic threatened Birkenau, the "woman's wing" of the notorious Auschwitz extermination camp. Crowded together in derelict barns like sardines 30,000 women were easy prey to infection—and 350 women were dying every day.

The SS guards were apprehensive. In spite of inoculation, some of them caught the disease. Their leader pressed the camp doctor to take rapid action against a spread of the epidemic.

Without a moment's hesitation the doctor ordered 400 women, occupying one barn to be sent to the gas chambers. The barn was disinfected, the women in the next barn were de-loused, bathed in disinfectant and moved to the empty barn, and so on. Instead of building new barracks, hapless women prisoners were condemned to death.

The doctor who ordered the extermination of the 400 women was Dr Josef Mengele, who, after Eichmann's capture, is now Number One on the list of wanted Nazi war criminals.

Now in the House of Commons a question has been asked about Dr Mengele who disappeared from Barielche, Argentina, after the West German government had issued a warrant for his arrest in June, 1959.

Dr Mengele had been practising in Barielche openly under his own name. Since 1959 there has been no trace of him, but it has been suggested that he has



gone to earth in a neighbouring South American state. Mengele's concentration camp activities are being studied by the public prosecutor of the doctor's native town, Freiburg.

Typical

From these depositions emerges a picture of a typical Nazi exterminator, cold, cynical, "practical", utterly imperious to the ordinary man's natural sentiments and reactions. Dr Mengele, who is now 50, welcomed the opportunities for "scientific studies". His chief interests were matters of heredity, experiments into questions of multiple birth (twins) and midwife growth.

He issued strict instructions that no twins in the camp were to be sent to the gas chambers without his special permission. He was jubilant when, after a Gestapo swoop on a circus, a family of midwives was brought to the prison camp. They were at once taken to his laboratory. A few weeks later they were dead.

But his favourite experiments were concerned with attempts to change the colour of babies' eyes. When he came across one young mother hugging a beautiful, fair-haired, blue-eyed baby he asked her:

"How would you like your baby to have dark eyes with her fair hair?"

The terrified mother tried to protest. But Dr Mengele started his experiments and soon the baby died.

At Birkenau medical supplies were in short supply. Dr Mengele gave orders that only young and basically strong women should be issued with any form of medicine.

Mengele was quite frank about his reactions to the extermination programme which was carried out under his supervision. He regarded his duties as a bit of a bore.

They kept him away from his experiments and he resented it. One of the first extermination doctors to escape from Germany, Mengele set himself up in practice in the Argentine. But his freedom may be short-lived. The Israeli avenger who tracked down Eichmann may soon reveal Dr Mengele's whereabouts.

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NOW THAT THE CRISIS IS OVER FOR LIZ

Eddie Fisher talked to me about the future of his wife Elizabeth Taylor.

It is now just a few weeks since she reached the high crisis point in her illness and it was feared that she had one hour to live.

Since then she has steadily got better until now it is possible to talk with some degree of certainty about what happens next. Eddie Fisher discussed it quite calmly. "I have been taking stock," he said. "Maybe I should have done before... but now is as good a time as any."

"I have decided that whatever happens—after this miracle—what is of overriding importance is my wife's good health."

"Nothing else matters—and nothing else will be allowed to stand in the way."

"She must have a good climate and she must have the sun. She thrives on sun. I have decided that wherever she works and wherever she lives there must be sun."

Obviously...

"At the moment our home is in New York, but I expect that we will sell that."

"I don't know yet where we will go—it could be Arizona or California or Jamaica or anywhere so long as the sun shines."

"That obviously means Elizabeth will not film again in England—ever."

"And for the same reason, she will not film again in New York or anywhere else when the weather is bad."

A week of crisis clears the air and simplifies the thinking. There is, of course, the question of "Cleopatra," which has become so complicated with insurance claims and outdoor sets at Pinewood studios, and script complications and hold-ups and changes of directors. From bo-

ing a film Cleopatra has become an international incident. Eddie Fisher clears the air directly. He said: "Cleopatra can be a wonderful film—but the overriding thought must be my wife's good health."

If she wants...

"She will only do the film—if at all—where the weather is warm. I appreciate what Spyros Skouras has said—'No Liz, no Cleo'—but without good weather there will be no Elizabeth."

"All these problems about this particular film are not important. What matters is that Elizabeth has made it—she got over the crisis, she is getting better and it is my job as her husband to see that she stays well in the future."

Where will that future be? And what will it be? I put to Eddie Fisher the key question: "Will Elizabeth Taylor retire?"

This is what Eddie Fisher said: "For some time work—just for the sake of making motion pictures—has not been of overriding importance to her. Recently Elizabeth has made films for the creative excitement she gets from them."

"Instead of making one or even two films a year, she will make one in a while. One in a great while, in fact."

"In perhaps a matter of years, if she wants to retire, well... she will."

That is the stocktaking at the moment. A Eddie Fisher said: "Maybe it should have been done before."

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In the village where the Duke met his bride

Hovingham.

THE village school is decorated. String after string of blue and yellow and white and red and green flags on Yorkshire sandstone. These, along with a Union Jack, were last seen in Hovingham, Yorkshire, on Coronation Day.

Someone was talking about a bonfire. Otherwise the village doesn't seem to have changed. Mr David Davis, at the post-office stores, listened to the music of the bell on his shop-door and went on selling stamps and sweets and shampoos.

by DENIS PITTS

The customers stood on polished floors and talked about the wedding and Miss Katharine and the Duke and how all of them knew that it was going to happen and they weren't a bit surprised.

And Mr Davis stood listening, smiling a little because he had seen the letters pass through his hands at some time or another.

All of them pleased. They know Miss Katharine well, they tell you. She used to buy hairpins in this very shop. And ask Mummy for an ice-cream.

Drive into Hovingham from Thirsk and the woods on the left are filled with crocus and daffodils in bud.

The village is delightful. Keep driving along this road and see the big house on the left in parkland. See the cricket field, the finest turf in Yorkshire, they say, where Len Hutton played for Sir William and charity and where the local team plays every week in summer.

Time-stained

Pass through two 10ft-high pillars—where the gates of the Worsley estate used to be shut people out—and you are in Hovingham as sure as you are in Yorkshire.

The houses are of old, time-stained stone. Red pantiles, rose bushes at the doors. Wait for the primroses. You have a feeling that everyone else is.

There are larches and beeches around the village green, ancient-looking farmers drink beer on most days, whisky on market days and take their wives to the cocktail bar in the Worsley Arms on Saturday nights. Malton is the biggest

town. Eight miles from the village. It feels like 40 in a number 84 red West Riding bus. Hovingham goes there on Saturday mornings.

York is the nearest city. Better shopping there, they say, but few go more than once a month. And they stay on for the pictures in the evening.

Colonel Starkey is the county councillor and you will find him, some evenings, drinking half pints of bitter in the Mall Shovel talking to Tom Huggins the landlord.

Councillors or not, they know that Sir William Worsley is the boss and if anyone is going to get them main drainage, better lighting, improved bus services or a railway line it will be he whom they ask first.

After all, he owns most of Hovingham. He is the president of the cricket team and the landlord. Strangely, in that order.

Most of the farmers—average holding about 250 acres, mainly mixed agriculture—who pay him rent speak well of him. There is little in the way of obsequiousness in their approach to him to his face or behind his back.

He is Sir William. They are Jack or Bill or Fred or Mr Smith if they are new to Hovingham.

They watch the cricket and listen to the opera at the Hovingham Festival which takes place now and again at the hall with top performers. Not quite Glynedebourne. But you wear a tie.

Sir William's children are Miss Katharine, Mr Oliver, and Mr Marcus.

Mr Marcus farms the home farm and Mr Oliver was the county councillor until Colonel Starkey defeated him. They are clearly Tory. The village is clearly Tory.

And yet the Malton Co-op shop in Hovingham does a thriving business in competition with Mr Davis and a new corner and a general store which opened a short while ago.

Roman villa

Ask about history and they will tell you at once that the Hall stands on the site of a Roman villa.

The hall was planned by Thomas Worsley in the time of George III, who gave him a statue by Giovanni. "Samson slaying the Philistines." The value is astonishing. It stands in the grounds by the tulip beds.

The Hall is Georgian, local stone, lovely. Like the sort of place Evelyn Waugh revisits.

The other villages near by are Slingsby and Stonegrave, and Stonegrave people have to walk into Hovingham for a drink. Which gives Hovingham a slight edge on Stonegrave.

They knew

Except that the walk is delightful with soft Yorkshire all around you and you know when it's going to rain because the moors seem closer.

In the bar of the Mall Shovel they will tell you that they knew because they saw the



Duke's car going in and out of the Hall. The entrance is opposite the pub. Really, they have been much more interested in the success of their darts team which plays there once a week while the regulars sit along the two wooden benches and order their beer from the bar which is only four feet long.

Mr Marcus held the licence for a time. Apart from the Worsley Arms and the small British Legion club there is nowhere else to drink. But Hovingham doesn't drink a great deal anyway.

The women are good church-goers and the Mothers' Union meets weekly. So does the W.I. Lady Worsley is the president. Population 460. Turn left to Malton, turn right to Helmsley. Only the youngsters go to Malton at night. They drink coffee.

There is talk of a coffee bar for Hovingham. But it is unlikely.

It doesn't seem to have changed at all. —(London Express Service).

HOW THE WEST SHARES PRICE OF PEACE

DEFENCE EXPENDITURE Out of every £100 of each country's national income:

U.S.A.	£11 2s.
U.K.	£7 14s.
France	£7
Canada	£6 2s.
Sweden	£5 18s.
Netherlands	£4 14s.
Italy	£4 6s.
Germany	£3 4s.

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Just Fancy That!

ADVERTISEMENTS for the next show by Winchester's drama group are pinned on the swing doors of Hampshire Assizes divorce court. The production is — Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband."

A BRITISH ARMY 303 rifle believed to have belonged to a soldier returning from Dunkirk—was found by workmen clearing a store at Ramsgate Harbour. It was still in good working order.

THIRTY-THREE-YEAR-OLD Ernest Savers was fined £30 or "two months" jail in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, for driving a steamroller while under the influence of drink. A policeman said he saw the steamroller zig-zagging towards him.

FLOODIT cricket will be played in a Paris pitch—with the surprising announcement that the French invented the game and exported it to Britain in the 18th century. But 21 Englishmen will play. Star: Godfrey Evans.

HANG-IT-UP PIT 'LUNG' WARNS OF DUST

The World of Science

by Peter Farley

A LITTLE metal box with one "lung" and a "nose" will soon be safe-guarding Britain's miners against chest diseases. It can be hung anywhere in a mine and warns when too much dust is flying around. Six have been ordered for Kent collieries.

The box has been developed by scientists at the National Coal Board's mining research establishment at Isleworth, Middlesex.

It will enable a map of "black spots" in each pit to be drawn up.

Miners suffering from any kind of breathing difficulty or infection can then be kept away from these areas.

Once a minute

The box is, in effect, a miniature miner—sampling the air continuously and recording how many particles of coal or rock are in it.

Its "lung" is a small piston, driven by an electric gramophone motor and powered by a miner's cap-lamp battery. It breathes in and out once a minute.

The "nose" is a mechanical replica of a human nose, with the same filtering characteristics.

All the miner has to do is to hang it on a nail and switch on. Measurements of the density of dust in the mine are later examined by scientists above ground.

Exact measurement

AS any disciple of "do-it-yourself," or any builder, surveyor or architect knows, the job of measuring up a room or building is not easy.

Tape measures always sag. Flexible rules zip back at you before you can read off the feet and inches. Inaccuracy is hard to avoid.

Not any more. Two scientists at the Building Research Station, Watford—Mr Johnathan Ripper, and Mr Donald Bishop—have invented devices which should revolutionise the

work. They are almost too simple to be true.

The first is a telescopic, square rod. Four feet long when closed, it slides out to a total of 10ft. Even a not-so-handy man can read off the distance measured to an accuracy of 1/32nd of an inch.

The second is a rustless steel tape measure with two "extras"—a lock to stop the tape springing back, and a small glass window through which the handler reads off its exact measurement.

The sag error is already worked out for him, and the corrections overprinted on the glass.

Trials have shown that the devices can save up to one-third of the time normally taken. For example, a surveyor must usually fiddle around with spring balances to calculate sag on his tape.

Both devices will go into commercial production shortly.

Stay-sober beer

BEER that does not make you drunk is now on sale from slot machines in America — at about 1s. a carton. "It looks, smells, foams and tastes remarkably like regular beer," say the vendors.

It is the product of scientists who found a way to use the normal ingredients of beer in a process which kept the alcohol content down virtually to zero.

Sometimes I wish scientists would leave something just as it is.

Eyes on the patient

IT has always been fashionable, in sur-

gical operations, to have an audience. The more nearly unique you are, the more students will gather round. Or, if you are "typical," you may persuade the masses to look in while you are out open on television.

Does an audience ever do YOU any good? It can—in one instance, at least. That is when you are lying in a sealed room under bombardment by powerful X-rays from a radioactive cobalt "bomb." A terrifyingly lonely experience.

Recognising this, Guy's Hospital have installed a window beside their cobalt treatment room to allow patients the "great comfort" of being watched. It is one of the thickest in Britain. Three feet of glass keep in the rays.

—(London Express Service).



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WOMANSENSE



Let's Eat
by DAVID BAILEY/ALEN

Salmon steak platter straight from Seattle

"It seems impossible that less than a hundred years ago this big, modern city of Seattle was little more than a village," remarked the Chef.

The streets were muddy and unpaved. Industries were just starting and there were no home conveniences. Brides were so scarce that Monsieur Asa Mercer organised an expedition to sail 500 New England girls from New York around South America to Seattle to become brides and establish homes here.

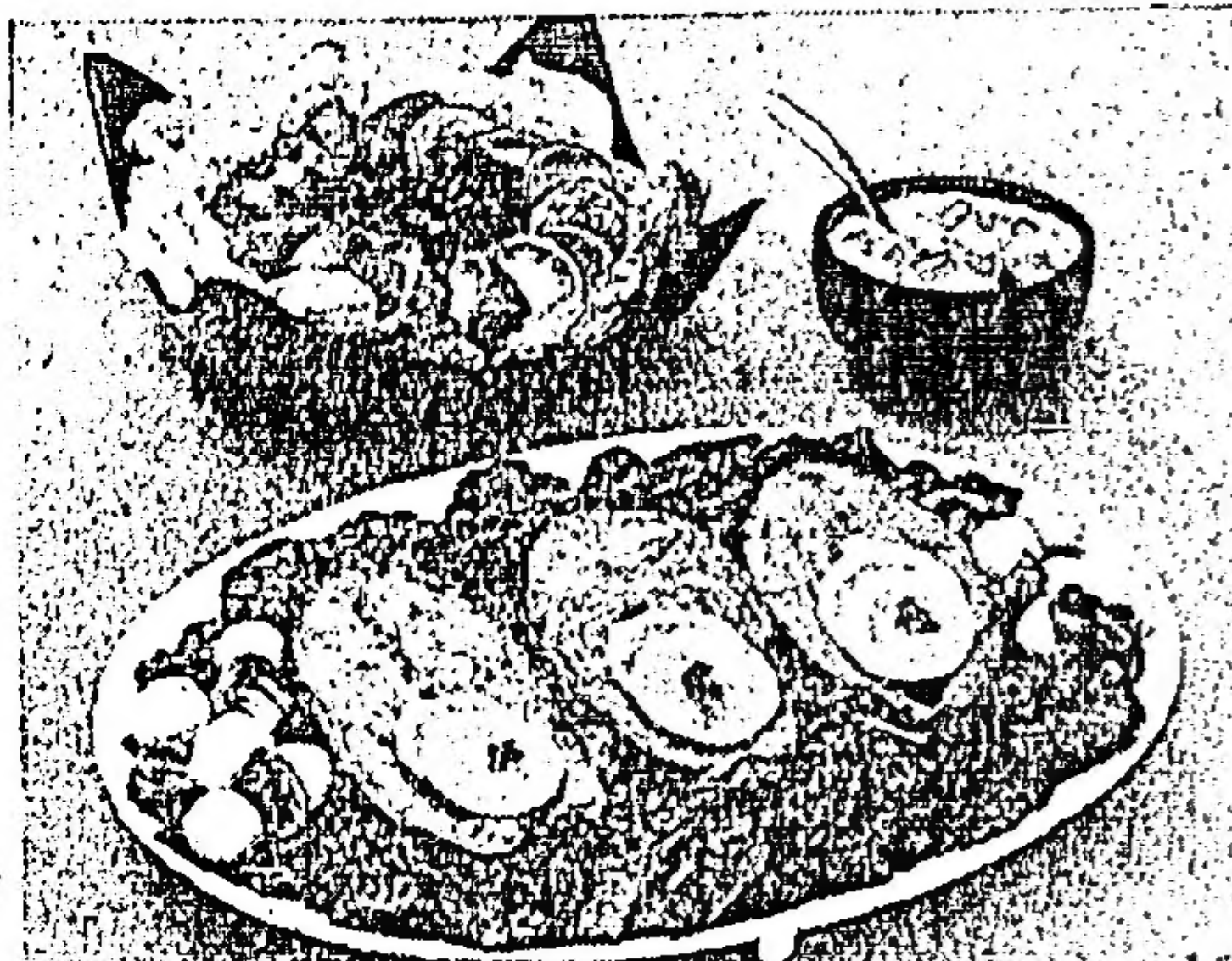
Young author

"You too, Chef, have evidently been reading 'Cargo of Brides,' that tells the story," I laughed. "Did you know that the author is a young woman from Seattle? The only thing I have seen that

"I suggest we order salmon steak, a famous Northwestern speciality." Salmon Seattle: Remove the stems from 2 lbs. fresh spinach. Wash well. Cook the leaves in a covered saucepan (no extra water), 6 to 8 min., or until crispender.

Drain, season with 2 tsp. butter or margarine, 1 tsp. salt and 1/2 tsp. ground black pepper.

Brush fresh salmon steaks cut 1" thick with a blend of 1/2 tsp. fresh lemon juice and 3 tsp. melted butter or margarine. Broil 8 to 10 min. on one side.



SALMON STEAK SEATTLE, a famous Northwestern speciality, is served with a cucumber salad, a lettuce salad with tomato wedges.

reminds me of that year 1865 is the big old-fashioned coffee mill here in the lobby of the Benjamin Franklin Hotel. It points the way to the Coffee House."

"We just have time for lunch before starting back to California and then New York," reminded the Chef. "I understand this hotel makes a specialty of sea food."

Extra fine fish

"Fish of all kinds is extra fine in this locality. Prince salmon, razor clams, Olympia oysters, shrimp, halibut, tasty snapper, cod and sole, all come from the clear cold waters of Puget Sound, and from the waters of Alaska and the outreaching Pacific."



LADY LUCK
YOUR CHINA MAIL HOROSCOPE

FRIDAY, MARCH 24

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Resist the attempt of a mere acquaintance to take advantage of your reputation for generosity.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): If you have the impulse to attempt a domestic task you have never undertaken before, don't let your family discourage you, but go right ahead with it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): If a person of the opposite sex does not quite measure up to your high standards, you must make up your mind to accept him as he is, or not at all.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Try and clear up all outstanding matters before embarking on a project which will need your undivided attention.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): You will be glad to revise your opinion of a friend living abroad, on receiving his belated thanks for a favour done him long ago.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): Your talent for writing could best be expressed by taking on some literary work, preferably involving criticism.

LEO (July 22-August 21): A person in whom you have implicit faith may let you down with his ill consider-

ed advice on a rather important matter.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): You ought never to neglect showing your appreciation to a person who has always gone out of his way to help you in furthering your ambition.

LIBRA (September 23-October 23): By your devotion to an elderly relative you set an excellent example to the younger and more thoughtless members of the family.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Put up with a small inconvenience if you feel that it will pave the way for clearing up a family dispute.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): A person born under Libra will be attracted to you at first sight, and after a few more meetings you will not be slow to reciprocate the feeling.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): You will find great pleasure in a reunion with a friend who has just returned from a long period abroad.

YOUR BIRTHDAY: If this is your birthday you will have a number of lucky breaks in the coming year, and should be ready to take full advantage of them.



* Theme of Reed Crawford's spring and summer collection of hats is the upturned Breton. The version here is made of stiffened snowy white organza with a navy blue motif, and he band is made of crisp blue ribbon—the kind of hat that steals the thunder of any big wedding or touches the photographer's eye at Ascot.

PICTURES BY VIC SINGH.

COLOURFUL CLOTHES ORDERED BY LONDON STARS

by Florence de Santis

PORTENTS of spring to come, in clothes ordered by stars in London, show a colourful, more feminine season coming up. Even before the Paris openings had confirmed the turn toward softened lines and fabrics, houses of the London couture were crowded with such stars as Vivian Leigh, Margaret Leighton and Joan Greenwood, ordering for the season ahead.

The London couture as a group has always been noted for its suits, which the English climate makes a practically year-round necessity. At John Cavanagh, Vivian Leigh ordered a coral jersey, with hipbone jacket that curves gently in toward the waist, has softly rounded shoulders, a wider, notched three-quarter sleeve, and a soft collar ending in a tie.

Twined

Singer Joan Sutherland, who will make her debut at the Metropolitan later this year, selected a green and violet twined from Hardy Amies for her coming six-weeks tour through America. Length of jacket, easy fit and sleeves are much like the suit chosen by Miss Leigh. However, Miss Sutherland's choice has a wide collar, slash pockets low on the jacket.

Joan Greenwood's suit choice, also from Hardy Amies, is one of the rarer black selections, but she chose a black and green pinstripe blouse to wear with it. The jacket has a cape front, loosely rounded back, with stand-up collar and well-seaming as its chief decorative details.

American singer star Edie Adams brought back to the United States a smart black jer-

sey outfit from John Cavanagh. The jacket has a black-knit polo collar, black knit cuffs and hipband, and a black knit hat goes with it. Jacket blouse at back over band.

Dresses chosen by London stars re-affirm the acceptance of chiffon and lace as popular fabrics, and of the overblouse look. For evening, Margaret Leighton chose a floor-length sheath of black satin from Hardy Amies, with a black and silver lace overblouse.

Dinner sheath

Miss Adams' John Cavanagh dinner sheath is in brown velvet, with overblouse notched at the hipline.

Miss Leighton, who is tall and slim, likes the softening effect of chiffon. Her dark blue sequined strapless short evening sheath has a coat of matching blue chiffon with long sleeves and full floating skirt.

Evening coats in London are as frequently made of beautiful broades as here. Coral Browne has picked a short coat from John Cavanagh in a rose with a patterned brocade of black and gold. Its sleeves are elbow-length, to meet long gloves, and sides are slit Oriental style.

Noteworthy, in usually conservative London, is the trend to colour in daytime clothes, darker hues for evening.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

WHILE you and your partner can use any lead directing convention you wish for the complete standard one used by most experts is as follows:

If your side has not bid, the double calls for the lead of the first suit bid by dummy.

If you have bid, the double calls for the lead of the first suit you have bid.

If your partner has bid and you haven't, the double asks him to open his suit.

With 10 points and two diamond stoppers South has a normal no-trump overcall and North's 11 points justify the jump to game.

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ONLY THREE SOFTBALL MATCHES THIS WEEKEND

By OLLY VAS

There is meagre fare in store for softball fans at King's Park this weekend as only three matches are down for decision, with the spotlight falling on one of the semi-final games in the Knock-Out Tournament in which the Stardusts will take the field against the Indians.

The Austers versus Wolves game, originally down for Sunday at 3.30 pm had to be postponed in view of a military exercise in which the Austers are taking part.

Consultant to Kennedy on physical fitness

Washington, Mar. 23. President Kennedy today named Charles B. (Bud) Wilkinson, 49, athletic director and football coach at the University of Oklahoma, as special consultant to the President on physical fitness.

The announcement said Wilkinson will serve without compensation for an indefinite period, but will fulfill his coaching duties at Oklahoma during spring training and the winter football season.

The formal announcement said Wilkinson will start immediately to confer with governmental agencies and private organizations and groups outside the government with a view to formulating a youth fitness programme "to meet demonstrated need for action in this field."—AP.

NOTICE

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

The Public Enclosure at Happy Valley is being loaned to the Hong Kong Kennel Club for a Dog Show on Sunday 26th March, 1961. These premises will be closed to Members at 10.00 a.m. on Sunday.

During the Show, the Private Boxes, Dining Room, Bar and Ladies' Lounge will be open and reserved for the use of the Members of the Jockey Club.

The charges for admission are \$4.00 for adults and \$2.00 for Service personnel in uniform and children under 16. Entrance to the Show will be by the Public Entrance only.

Members of the Jockey Club, who wish to make use of the Club room, must wear their Member's Badge, otherwise they will not be admitted thereto.

By Order,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 24th Mar., 1961.

NOTICE

THE ROYAL HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members

Subscription Grifflins 1962

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 100 Subscription Grifflins to race in 1962 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

The cost per horse to Subscribers will be HK\$4,000; which sum includes Livery to the date of acceptance by the Stewards.

Application forms may be obtained from the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

All subscriptions must be paid by cheque and application forms must be signed by all Subscribers in the presence of the Secretary at the Club Offices, Alexandra House.

The Subscription List will close at NOON on Friday, 31st March, 1961.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 16th Mar., 1961.

LEICESTER, SHEFFIELD U. DRAW AGAIN

Nottingham, Mar. 23.

Leicester City and Sheffield United who played a goalless draw in their semi-final of the FA Cup last Saturday, again failed to score in the replay here today.

The teams have now played 210 minutes without a goal, and Tottenham Hotspur have a further wait to see who will oppose them in the final at Wembley on May 8.

Play today fell below the standard expected, and both sides missed easy chances. No miss was more glaring than that of Jimmy Walsh, Leicester's captain, who headed over the bar from only two yards out.

Goalkeepers Banks and Hodgkinson made a number of brilliant saves in the extra-time when the game lived up to considerably.

The second replay will take place at Birmingham on Monday.—Reuter.

GRAND NATIONAL CALLOVER

Jonjo made clear second favourite

London, Mar. 23.

The most significant change in the market at tonight's Victoria Club callover on the Grand National Steeplechase was the installation of Jonjo as clear second favourite at 12-1.

Trained by V. Osborne in Ireland, Jonjo was a 25-1 chance at Monday's callover, but was backed tonight to win £12,000.

Merrymen II hardened two points from the 10-1 quoted at Monday's callover, after being backed to win £8,000, while Peter Cazale's Scottish Flight 11 and Oscar Wilde, trained by

Bill Wighman, were both supported to win similar amounts, and finished at 20-1 and 50-1 respectively.

Team Spirit remained firm at 14-1, although now third best in the market, while Sircusa, backed to win £6,000 also remained on Monday's mark at 18-1.

Hunter's Breeze and Connoisseur Lee, rated one of the safest jumpers in the race, were supported for lesser amounts, while Badminton, second last year, eased two points to 18-1.

Prices

Prices at tonight's callover were:

1-1 Merrymen II; 12-1 Jonjo; 14-1 Team Spirit; 16-1 Hunter's Breeze; 18-1 Badminton, Sircusa, O'Malley Point; 20-1 Connoisseur Lee, Mr What, Scottish Flight 11; 25-1 Oxo; 33-1 Kilmore, Nicolaus Silver, Wyndburgh, Ernest; 40-1 Vicent, Banbury Bay, Carrasco, Clover, Buck, Floater, Irish Coffey, Jimmura; 50-1 Kingsley, Taxidermist, Ten Friend, Willy Oriental, Oscar Wilde; 100-1 April Queen; 100-1 Brian Oge, Double Crest, Fresh Winds, Pennyfeather, Sabaria, Imposant, Grifflin, Relief.—Reuter.

Geldermans increases cycle race lead

Sienna, Mar. 23. Netherlands cyclist ace Geldermans took the second sector of the fourth stage of the Menton-Rome professional cycling classic today. Britain's Tom Simpson placed second in the 10.5-mile race.

Geldermans was third in 47 mins 8 secs and Simpson, who was clocked in 47 mins 26 secs. Argentine Colodito of Italy placed third in 47 mins 48 secs and Giuseppe Fallarini, also of Italy, was fourth in 48 mins 2 secs.

Before the second phase of today's stage, French cyclist Andre Clouet, who was in a major fall involving six cyclists in the morning sector, pulled out. He was believed to have suffered a broken right collar bone in the fall, but nevertheless completed the morning event finishing 74th.

Geldermans increased his hold on first place in the overall standings by his victory today.

Britain's Simpson is second—31 seconds behind the Netherlands ace.—AFP.

Meckiff goes back to Australian football

Melbourne, Mar. 23.

Controversial Victorian fast bowler, Ian Meckiff, who missed a place in the Australian Test team to tour England later this year, is having a crack at Australian football again.

Meckiff, 26, 6ft. 2in., and 13 stone will begin training with South Melbourne today.

He played with Mentone in the Federal District League when he was 18 and later trained with Richmond.

He gave up football to concentrate on cricket.

Meckiff plays with South Melbourne in the District cricket competition.—China Mail Special.

English League soccer results

Results of tonight's English League football matches were:

Division III
Bradford 2 Reading 1
Notts County 1 Halifax 1
—Reuter.

Sports Diary

TODAY
Colonial Badminton Senior championship matches at IRC, 7.30 pm.
Hockey: Army "A" v IRC "A" at Soekamp, 8.30 pm.
Athletics: Hongkong Jockey Club Primary School Junior Athletics at Happy Valley, 10 am.

INTERNATIONAL RUGBY PREVIEW

France can stage late Championship bid

By JOHN COTTRELL

Never change a winning team. That has been inflexible motto of England's rugby selectors for a great many years. But the Big Five selectors of Wales are much more realistic—they judge their players by performance as well as by result.

Thus, they have taken ruthless action following the dispirited display which somehow gave Wales a 0-0 victory over Ireland at Cardiff. Eight players are sacked and the fifteen to meet mighty France in Paris is packed with surprise.

Biggest surprise

Out goes skipper and scrum half Onliwynn Price, who has now played the last international match of his career. In comes ex-skipper and full-back Terry Davies—but not as captain.

The leadership goes to Cardiff captain Lloyd Williams, yet another partner for fly-half Ken

Richards. He has been out of the team since the season before last.

Most surprising of all is the dropping of veteran hooker Bryn Meredith after 30 appearances for Wales and a creditable last performance against Ireland's Ronnie Dawson.

He is replaced by new cap Bill Thomas, who once moved from Newport because he could not hope to displace Meredith in the club's first team.

Only wily winger Dewi Bobb survives in the back division, though one centre—three-quarter, berth was left vacant, again in the hope that Cyril Davies

would be fit to return. John Collins returns to the right wing and Haydn Mainwaring gets his first cap, at left centre.

Phil Morgan (Aberavon) comes in at prop; Alan Pask (Aberllynny) takes over as blind side wing-forward from Glynn Davidge.

New-look Welsh XV

The Welsh selectors have been accused of panicking. But with possible exception of the sacking of Meredith, I feel such drastic measures are justified. France could massacre a team which repeated that stumbling, tumbling display against Ireland.

As it is, I expect this new-look Welsh fifteen to offer stern resistance against the French. It is a well-balanced team, though on paper it does not appear to pack such a heavy punch behind the scrum.

The French team which shows only one change from the side that drew 5-5 with England at Twickenham—Gerard Mauduy is recalled on the wing in place of Jean Dupuy, can score a narrow victory, and maintain their undefeated record.

Victory would also present France with a great chance of winning the International Championship outright for the second time in history. For they finally face Ireland—whom they defeated 22-0 last year—in Dublin.

SPORTS SURVEY

By ALL-ROUNDER

LIFE BEGINS AT FORTY—Full back Ken Sollow, of Rock Sports Club, decided to have a last fling in the Kidderminster League as a centre-forward before retiring. Now he has scored 21 goals in seven matches in that position. Another goal-scoring extraordinary in the Birmingham district is 16-year-old Eddie Hewitt, of Wyde Green Wanderers, who has netted eight, eleven and seven goals in three successive Sutton Youth League games. Another Birmingham club this coming twelve months is Ken Barton, of Fisher and Ludlow FC in the local Works' League. He looks to be helping them to two Championships. In the reserve team he netted 28 goals and laid the foundation of their promotion drive; then he moved up to the first eleven and another 28 goals have paved the way for a title for them. He has scored over 200 goals in six seasons for the club.

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BROTHERLY CAPTAINS—Two Yorkshire golfing brothers, whose combined ages total 147 years, will captain their respective clubs this coming twelve months. John Hodgson aged 70 has been elected captain of Fley, and George Hodgson, 71, is to be the next to lead the Moortown Club, Leeds. John was captain of Horsforth Club 27 years ago, and is also hon. secretary of the Fley and East Riding Alliance.

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STARTED AND FINISHED WELL—George Male, England and Arsenal full-back, was a player for the Highbury club for 17 seasons. He started his League career in 1930 in a 7-1 winning team against Blackpool and finished it in a side which beat Grimsby 8-0 in 1947. For the past 14 years he has been a club scout, and he possesses the distinction of being the only League player in history to play in six Championship winning teams. His first ever Cup-tie was the Wembley Final itself in 1958.

THE GAMBOLS



by Barry Appleby



GAS FOR JOY



Nine men in a boat—and me



OXFORD ON THE RIVER

by
Patricia Lewis

After every Boat Race when the news cameras zoom in to a lingering shot of the crews' slumped, spent bodies and agonised expressions, I wonder if it can be worth it. Can the moment when nine men in a boat past a winning post compensate for the months of forbidden drinks and foods and parties? (Not to mention the neglected lectures).

The answer—and I have it direct from the cold, unsullied lips of the Oxford crew of '61—is a Spartan's unqualified "Yes." Last week, as the rain fell and the Thames rose, sullen brown and swirling ominously over the low-lying meadows, I followed the crew on their daily practice.

I had asked them to let me ride in their boat, but they wouldn't let me. They said I might break it.

Strict training

"It's true that for five minutes after the race you don't know if you're going to live or die," said Dick Fishlock, my guide, who rowed No. 2 in last year's crew, both in the Boat Race and at the Olympics. "But when you look at some of the Old Blues who come down year after year—one I met was still rowing every day at 91—it can't do you any lasting harm."

Strict training starts from the moment the crew is announced

at the beginning of January and continues until everyone blows his safety valve with a surflet of Scotch on Boat-race night, April 1.

Between times, it's bed at 10.30, no more than a half-pint of beer a day; no cigarettes—and a traditional diet that bans potatoes, yet somehow permits packets of potato crisps with each meal.

And every afternoon, come rain or shine, there's a lovely long 13-mile row, with a special four-and-a-quarter-mile (the Boat-race distance) stretch taken at top-pressure every Saturday.

Fastest

Fishlock, who rows for Leander since leaving the university for a job in a Holborn advertising agency, says this year's crew promises to be the fastest he's ever seen, (15 miles an hour is about average).

"They've got a new boat that only weighs 290lb. And they're

using much bigger oars—we call them VistaVisors—which make a smaller arc and are therefore more effective," he said.

At tea

Mr Lawton Fage, the coach, agreed they were "impressive" to watch, while we were in the boat-house, but changed his opinion once we got up-river in the launch and began muttering: "Idle so-and-so's."

A couple of miserable, numbing hours later I met the crew at tea and asked them just how much of a social sacrifice it means to be a rowing blue.

"Well, you get crossed off everybody's party list," began Richard Bate, the bow-man.

"...And by the time the race is over, they've forgotten all about you," said Ian Elliott, No. 4, and president of the O.U.B.C.

"In the States we tend to train a bit harder than here," said John Sewell, a Regular officer in the American Army and a Harvard man, who rows No. 3.

"We lead a more monastic life. No drink for a longer period, and a more rigorous schedule, physically."

"Sure, it's tough! But it's definitely worth it for the terrific satisfaction you get."

This term is almost a write-off as regards studies for the Boat-race crew and I questioned the value of being a rowing blue in later life, if this athletic honour meant fewer academic honours at the end of a university career.

There were a few embarrassed chuckles. "I don't think it does you any good with a prospective employer," said Elliott. "Most of them seem to have the impression you must be a bit of a layabout spending most of your time fooling about on the river."

Sympathy

It was the cox, Peter Reynolds, who, I decided, really deserved the most sympathy. Weighing a normal 10st. 2lb., he has to keep his weight at around 8st. If the crew are not to find themselves at a disadvantage, "Those extra pounds make all the difference, over four and a quarter miles," he said. "I have grapefruit and a boiled egg for breakfast, an apple for lunch, and some meat with cabbage for dinner. But, unlike the others, I can smoke and I'm permitted alcohol—though not beer."

"Noble? Don't be silly. One would give up anything to become a blue."

(Need I remind you of the heights reached by a certain Cambridge cox?)

(London Express Service).

Johansson sued by reporter

New York, Mar. 23. The case of Edgar Thulin, suing reporter Johansson and Edwin Ahlquist for a commission in connection with the first Patterson-Johansson fight, is listed on the court calendar but may not be heard until the autumn session.

Thulin, a Swedish reporter who lives in New York city, says payment for services he rendered in arranging the first of the three world heavyweight championship bouts between Patterson and Johansson.

Thulin has made his pre-trial deposition, and his lawyer said that Johansson and Ahlquist, through their lawyers, have agreed that they will make their depositions before trial time.

There is no reason why Johansson and Ahlquist may not return to Sweden any time this summer, Thulin's lawyer said, since there is no prospect of an immediate trial.—UPI.

A new job for Frank Worrell

Kingston, Mar. 23. Frank Worrell, captain of the West Indies cricket team, was today appointed warden of Irvine Hall in the West Indies College. As warden, Worrell will be responsible for the care of 270 students.

Worrell, who holds the degree of Bachelor of Arts in administration from Manchester University, will leave his job as plant superintendent at Reynolds Mines, meat and poultry enterprises in Jamaica.—AP.

Jail terms for Soccer rioters

Tunis, Mar. 23. Justice dealt severely today with nine football fans who stoned the cars of supporters of the other football club when their team lost.

Jail terms of up to six months were handed out by a court in Sousse, the scene of the incidents. Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba had dissolved the Sousse Football Club following the recent post-game disorders.—AFP.

Why not Ted Dexter as England cricket captain?

By ARCHIE QUICK

Harold Larwood, most accurate of English fast bowlers and certainly the greatest one I ever saw, is now settled in Australia with his family and works for a Sydney firm. From 12,000 miles away he urges the MCC to co-opt two professional brains on their Selection Committee for next summer's Tests.

In 1926 Jack Hobbs and Wilfred Rhodes were asked to serve, and it must have been more than a coincidence that the Ashes were recaptured.

Last week the MCC re-nominated Messrs G. O. Allen (Chairman), Herbert Sutcliffe, Wilfred Weale and Doug Insole, who served for the South African visit here last season, and surely it would be a wise move to co-opt, say, Sir Leonard Hutton and Alec Besser to assist them. It certainly could do no harm, and no two players, through practical experience, know the opposition better.

Most important need

The next most important need, as I see it, is for an off-spinner to support the shock attack of Freddie Trueman and Brian Statham.

When Lance Gibbs came in for the final three Tests for the West Indies this winter he clearly showed that even now Australian batsmen have not mastered genuine off-spin. So the selectors' No. 1 task is to find someone of the Gibbs, Hughie Tayfield, Jim Laker type. It is a specialist's job, and the best man should be

chosen irrespective of his batting ability—especially if Jim Parks is to be persevered with as a batsman-wicketkeeper.

Here again, another query is raised: The job behind the stumps is the most specialised of them all; the scoring of fifty runs is immediately neutralised if a dangerous rival batsman is dropped. There are no Leslie Ames around any more, and John Murray, of Middlesex, has shown on the recent New Zealand tour, that he is superior to Parks as a wicketkeeper. So, will a batsman be sacrificed?

Next on the agenda—an enterprising captain. The need is urgent, if the challenge is to be thrown down to the enemy and cricket crowds are to be retained by old-style entertainment. Richie Benaud and Frank Worrell contrived an interesting series in Australia this winter; who will pair with Benaud in England?

Of course, he will not get the honour—but the man with the

hair is Ted Dexter. In front of him, purely as seniors, are the cautious Peter May and Colin Cowdrey, who is inclined to become bogged down when saddled with the responsibilities of captaincy. It will almost certainly be May, if he is fit, or Cowdrey, if he is not. But I would still dearly love to see Dexter and Benaud at each other's throats. So would the public.

No 'chuckers'

Thank goodness, there will be no "chuckers" or "throwers" in the Australian make-up since Rorke, Meekiff and Slater have been overlooked, but there is a "dragger" or two in their composition—notably Misson, who has been "nailed" several times Down Under.

If England discover an off-spinner, or even a leg-break man, they should vain the Ashes on their own grounds, for otherwise they have the edge on their visitors—even although touring as a party is a distinct asset for any side.

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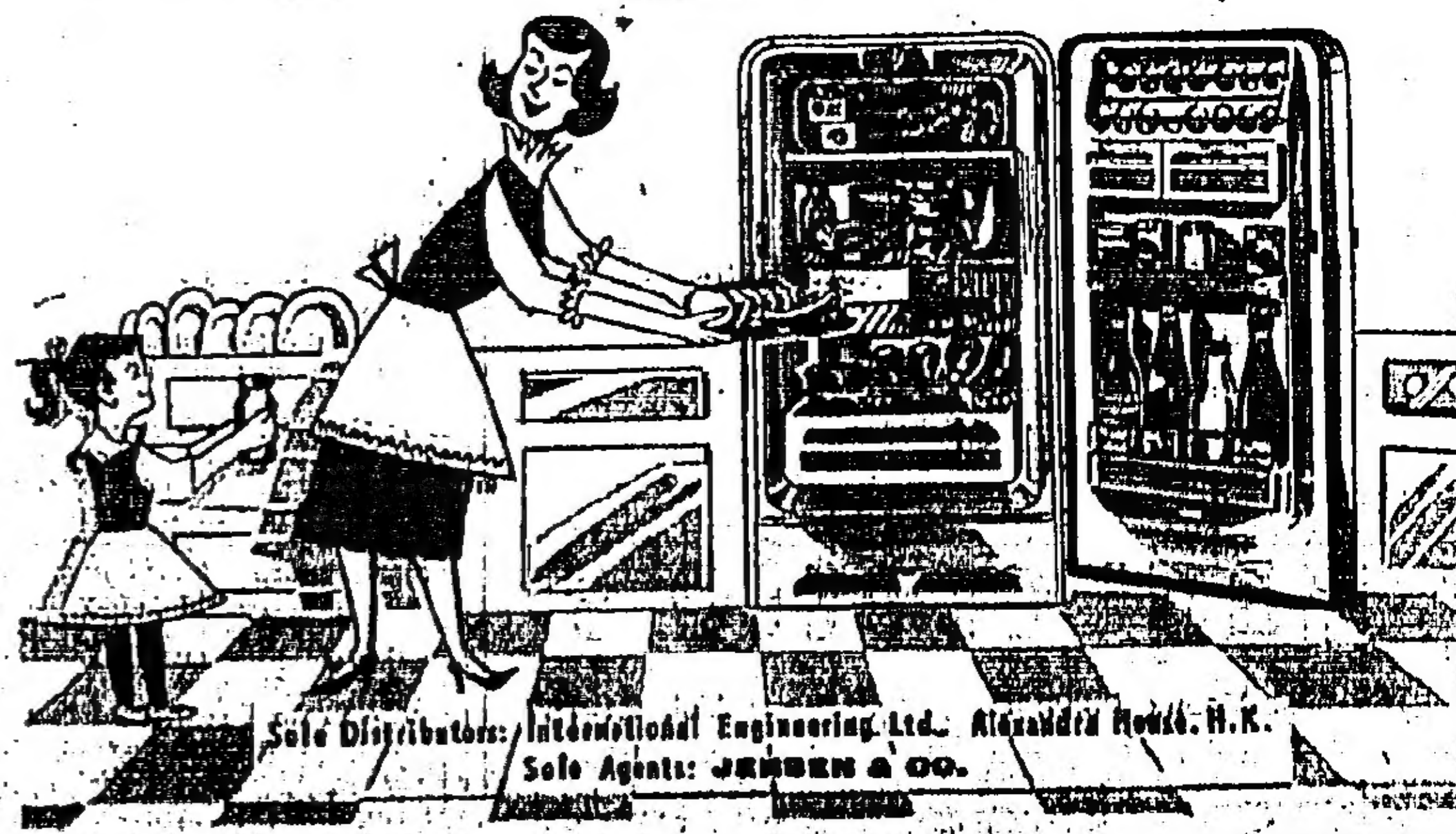
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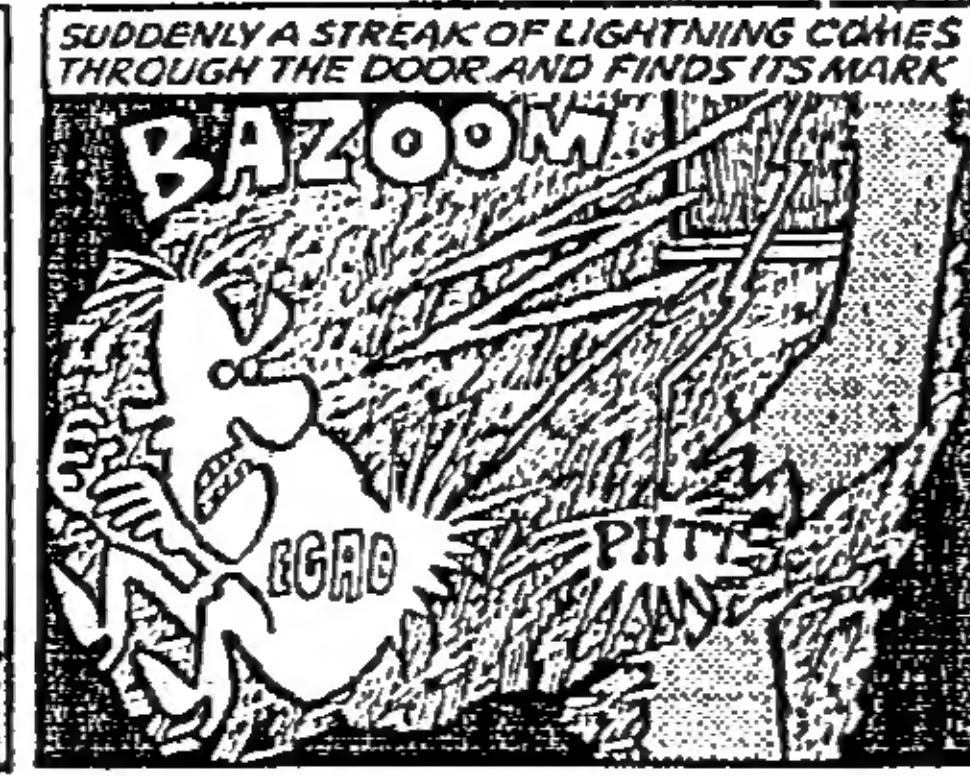
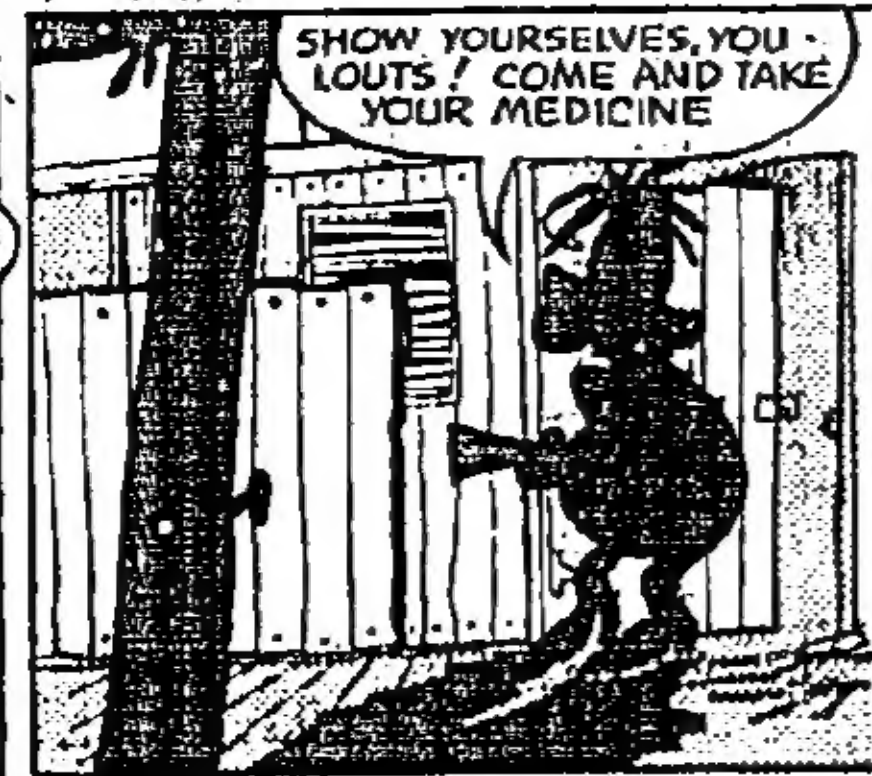
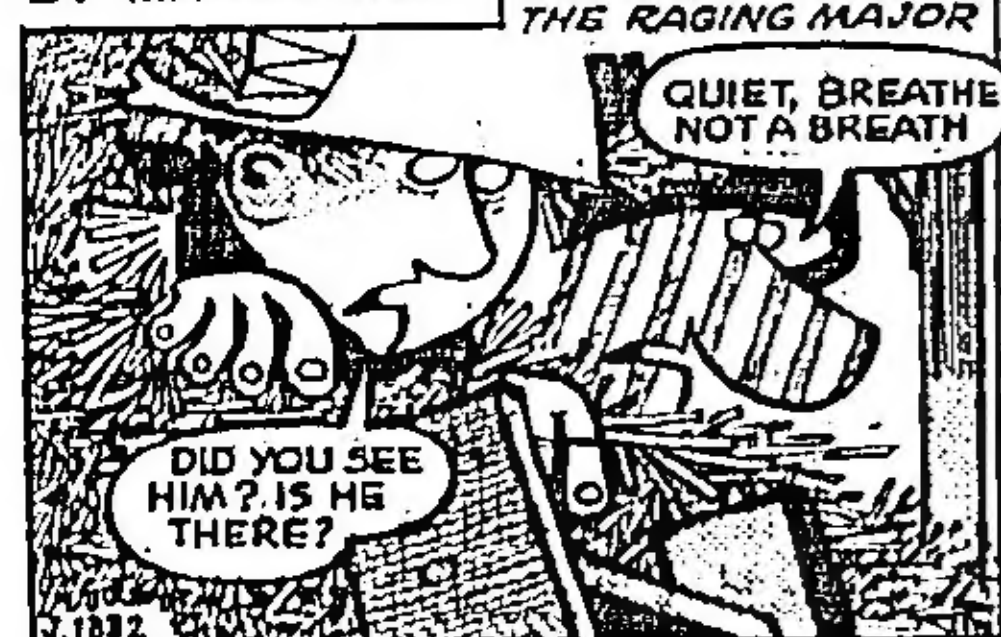
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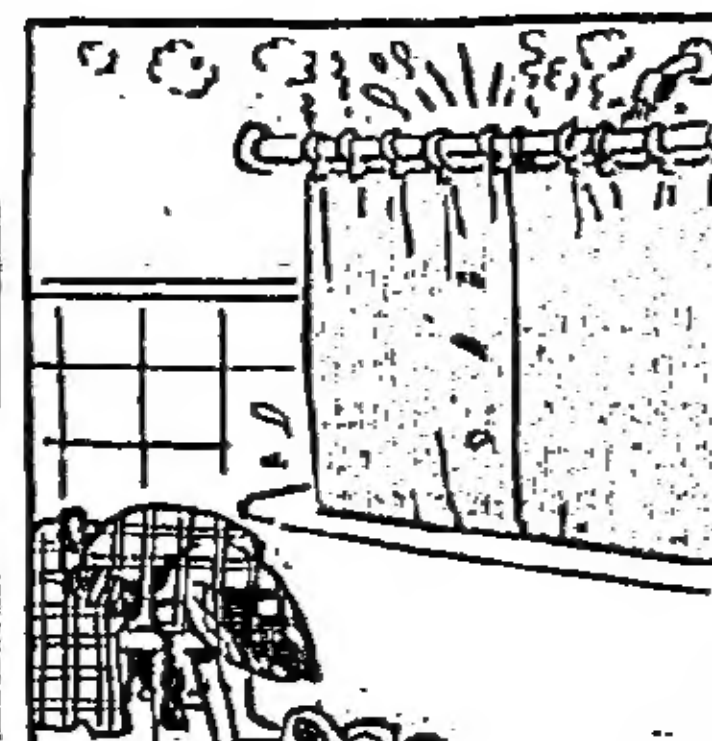
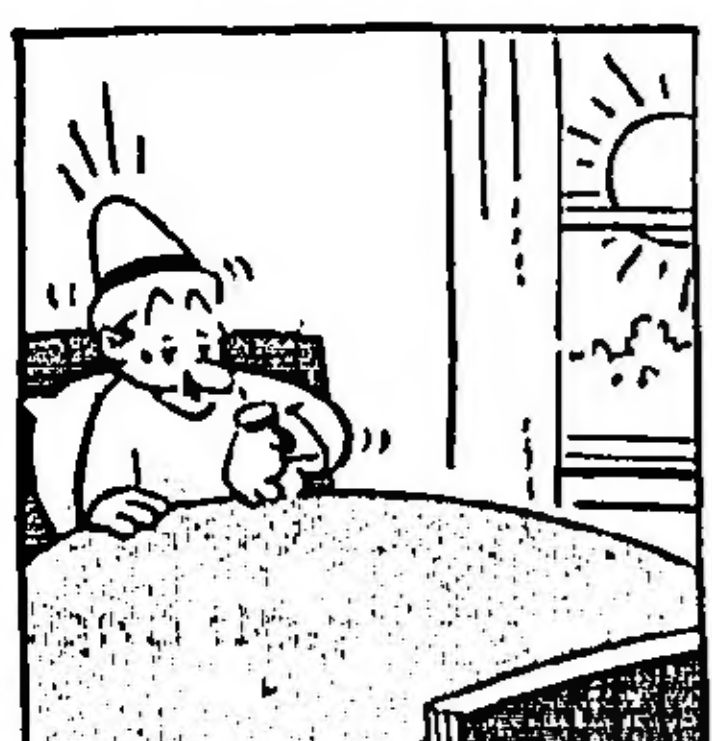
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OLD MAN'S SEARCH FOR 'LUCKY' GRAVE SITE ENDS

Body
found
after
4 days

The body of 76-year-old Ko Chung-lau, senior officer of the Sincere Co. who has been missing for four days, was found on a hillside in Shatin yesterday afternoon.

The man, who was said to be a firm believer in Feng Shui (geomancy or the art of divination from configuration of topography) was looking up a "lucky site" for his future grave on Sunday.

He went on the trip of exploration with a friend, Wong Chong-kwan, 70, who was said to know a lot about Feng Shui.

The two men set out in the morning and reached the site which Wong finally called "Wild - goose - homing-on-the-rook."

So happy was Ko that he composed a poem on the site.

Then the two old men parted company as Wong who was tired, decided to return to Shatin.

THREE HOURS
At a cafe there Wong waited for three hours without seeing Ko return. Thinking that Ko might have returned home by another way, Wong left for home also.

But Ko did not return home, nor to the office the next day.

The family finally notified the police who with the help of Wong found Ko's body on the hillside. His body was said to have been found "near the spot he had selected for his grave."

Ko was head of the tobacco department of the Sincere Co Ltd. for many years.

A Government spokesman said the body was found behind Tek Ting Village, near Shatin at 4.15 pm yesterday.

Death was from natural causes and no foul play was suspected, he added.

London, Mar. 23.
A man was badly burned when a blinding oil heater exploded as he was carrying it from a house in Greyhound-road, Fulham.

As the oil heater flared up the man wrapped it in sack and ran with it into the street. But the heater flared up again as he reached the door, spraying blinding oil over his clothing.—London Express Service.

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ALLEGED THEFT IN POLICE STATION

A young man pleaded not guilty before Mr Derek Cons at Central Court this morning to stealing \$120 in cash from the Upper Level Police Station on Tuesday.

Hearing was fixed for next Tuesday.

The defendant was Ng Sai-yeung, 20, of 11 Yuen On-street, first floor, Fanling, New Territories.

Detective Inspector Chan Sik-kwong is in charge of the case.

Hotel chief's
warning
on future
competition

At the annual meeting of the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels a dividend of \$1.50 per share with a bonus of \$1.50 per share was approved.

Mr Horace Kadoorie, chairman, said that the net profit for the year ended December 31 was \$4,302,019.11 an increase of \$499,038.51 over last year.

Mr Kadoorie warned shareholders that in future the company would have to face greatly increased competition and this could only be met by continued expenditure on modernization and renovation, if the fine reputation of their hotels was to be maintained.

Retiring
He said that Mr A. Sommerfeld was retiring at the end of the month. He thanked him for his loyal support and recorded the appreciation of the company for his services during the many years he had been with the company.

Mr J. G. Oliver has been appointed to take over his duties.

The reports and accounts were adopted. Mr J. L. Marden was re-elected a director. Pent, Marwick, Mitchell and Co. were reappointed auditors for the coming year.

First low-cost housing estate plan announced

The first Government-built low-cost housing estate for people in the lower income groups is to be constructed in the fast growing new industrial town of Kun Tong, it was officially announced today.

The new estate, consisting of seven blocks each of seven storeys with accommodation for between 5,000 and 6,000 people, is expected to be completed towards the end of next year.

The site of the new housing estate at Kun Tong covers an area of about 187,000 square feet next to the Kun Tong police station now in the course of construction. Access to the site will be from the new Yau Tong-road.

Tenders for the site formation are called for in the Government Gazette today. Piling work is expected to start about the middle of May and actual construction is scheduled to begin by August this year.

Each block in the estate will have single living units placed on each side of a central corridor. The rooms will have a private balcony while communal cooking and toilet facilities will be provided.

DRUNKEN SAILOR FINED \$60

David Ronald Clarke, 22, able seaman of HMS Tamar, was fined \$60 by Mr Derek Cons at Central Court this morning for behaving in a disorderly manner when drunk, and assaulting a Star Ferry Inspector.

Clarke pleaded guilty.

Insp G. D. Carter said the court that at about 11.45 pm yesterday, Clarke approached the First Class entrance of the Star Ferry Pier and tried to enter without paying the fare.

Clarke, who was drunk at the time, was stopped but he attempted to climb over the turnstile. He was again stopped by a Star Ferry Inspector and he became abusive.

The police were informed and while waiting for transport, Clarke struck the inspector, Mr H. M. Close, on the nose knocking off his glasses.

Clarke was taken to Queen Mary Hospital and certified to be drunk.

Heep Yunn School bill

A bill for the incorporation of the Council of Heep Yunn School will be introduced in the Legislative Council by an Unofficial member of the Council in April, Mr C. Y. Kwan, solicitor for the school council, said this morning.

Particulars of the bill were published in an advertisement in today's Government Gazette. Messrs C. Y. Kwan and Co. solicitors for the School Council, in the objects and reasons accompanying the bill, stated that it was the desire of the Church Missionary Society and of the School Council that the property be held in the School's own name.

Since the School is not a corporate body and cannot hold any property in its own name, it is thought desirable that it should become a corporate body in order to enable it to own property in its own name and to carry out its aims and objects more effectively. Not being a corporate body it is also handicapped in other ways in the carrying out of its functions.

The present registered owners of the school property are the Church Missionary Trust Association Ltd.

BOY WHO STOLE A WATCH FINED

A 16-year-old student who was said to be fascinated by mechanical gadgets was fined \$100 for stealing a watch, by Mr Derek Cons at Central Court this morning.

The boy, represented by Miss Helen Lo, had pleaded guilty at a previous hearing and was recommended until today for a probation officer's report.

Imposing the fine, Mr Cons said having taken into account the probation report and the mitigating circumstances submitted by Miss Lo at the last hearing, he would not send the boy to jail.

The prosecution's case was that the boy stole a watch from a watch stall at the Watches and Clocks Exhibition on the night of March 15. He was stopped by a foki when he tried to walk away and the watch was recovered from him.

News from the Gazette

Mr G. O. W. Stewart has been provisionally appointed to be an Unofficial member of the Executive Council during the absence of Mr M. W. Turner, the Government Gazette announced today.

The appointments of Mr G. O. W. Stewart and Mr D. C. Bray as Special Magistrates have been revoked.

Mr R. H. Hughes has been reappointed an Honorary Game Warden.

Mr B. V. Williams has been appointed an Assistant Collector of Stamp Revenue.

Mr A. T. Clark has been appointed Clerk of Councils.

Mr Shuzo Ichikawa has been recognised, provisionally, as Consul for Japan at Hongkong.

Court told: 'Police car chased fleeing policemen'

Three police constables in a car which was alleged to have been driven away without the owner's consent, were chased and intercepted by a police vehicle, Mr K. A. S. Phillips at Causeway Bay Court was told this morning.

This was stated by Insp J. R. Johnston, prosecutor.

The constables were Chan Kam-kwong, 24, of Western Police Station, Yuen Yu-kwan, 22, of Aberdeen Police Station, and Lee Chuen-wa, 27, of 417 Lockhart-road, ground floor.

Chan was charged with driving without a licence, disobeying a traffic signal and driving without lights on the night of March 8 in Morrison-street.

He was additionally charged with the other two constables of driving a car without the owner's consent, driving without third party risks. All pleaded not guilty.

Chan was granted bail of \$1,500 while Yuen and Lee were granted bail of \$1,000 each.

Mr G. Hampton, of Hastings and Co., represented Chan and Lee. Yuen was represented by Mr Peter Mo of P. Mo and Co.

The trial was set for April 11.

Government appointments gazetted

The following appointments, promotions, transfers, and postings were announced in today's Government Gazette:

Mr J. D. Bromhall to be Senior Research Officer, Co-operative Development and Fisheries Department.

Mr G. A. Skeet to be Chief Engineer, PWD; Mr D. L. Maxwell to be Inspector of Works, Class I.

Mr K. Milburn to be Acting Senior Surveyor of Ships and Examiner of Masters and Mates.

Mr B. V. Williams to be District Officer, Sal Kung.

Mr Chu Hark-kung to be Acting Telecommunications Officer.

TWO HURT IN ROAD ACCIDENTS

An eight-year-old girl, Lau Kit-lin, of 61 Hennessy-road, first floor, was injured when she was knocked down by a motor-cycle at Lockhart-road near Luand-road, at about 3.10 pm yesterday. The injured girl was admitted to Queen Mary Hospital.

A 45-year-old woman sustained injuries when she was knocked down by a private car at the junction of Jordan-road and Canton-road, shortly after 11 pm yesterday. The injured woman, Ho Chun, of 2 Pine-street, second floor, was admitted to Kowloon Hospital.

HER TASTE FOR CHINESE FOOD

One reason for coming to HK

"One reason why I came to Hongkong is that I adore Chinese food" Miss Jean Allso, new fashions' buyer and ladies' department manageress of Lane, Crawford Ltd, said yesterday.

"Another reason was a very good article on Hongkong in a London newspaper in the exciting cities' series. I was already brainwashed when I read the advertisement for my present appointment coinciding with the Hongkong story, so here I am."

Miss Allso, previously buyer for the House of Fraser in Edinburgh where she specialised in active-sports wear, women's and children's fashions, said she had received managerial training with the Lewis group of department stores in Glasgow.

KNITWEAR
In the Edinburgh post she had undertaken continental buying for the firm travelling to Zurich, Dusseldorf, Milan, Turin and Rome, but on the spot in Scotland she acquired a basic knowledge of fine knitwear.

Before all this, she was in the Women's Royal Naval Reserve finally reaching the appointment as Admiral's assistant which post she held until demobilisation.

With sailing as one of her favourite hobbies, "I had a racing dinghy at home," Miss Allso looks forwards to some yachting in the beautiful waters around Hongkong. She is a squash player and played for her country of Middleham, also the WRNS.

Apart from the happy asides it is easy to see that Miss Allso's most absorbing occupation is her job. She is planning a complete reorganisation of the fashion floor with the introduction of boutiques and there is also the possibility of a buying tour in October next year in search of fashion merchandise throughout the main cities around the world.

ITINERARY
The itinerary will probably take her to Italy, Switzerland, France and the United Kingdom as well as New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Contacts have been made with Jacques Fatti, and Schiaparelli and during his recent visit to Hongkong Mr. Claude Beguin, the Associate of French manufacturers, called on Miss Allso to discuss new trends in Paris.

To get back to the Chinese food, Miss Allso finds it even better here than in the most expensive Chinese restaurants in London.

STRIKE SETTLED

Bristol, Mar. 23.
An unofficial strike of 1,300 men which had paralysed Avonmouth Docks here for over two days ended after a mass meeting today.

The men voted to go back to work immediately so that negotiations over a claim for "dirty money" by men handling a cargo of ammonium phosphate in the 3,225-ton West German ship Leapaul could take place.

Since the strike began, more than 20 ships have been idle.—China Mail Special.

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March 1936

HIS Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, Hon. Commander G. F. Hole, Director of Air Services and Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, Mr. E. Nelson (Superintendent of the Kai Tak Air Port) were among the large crowd gathered at the aerodrome yesterday morning to witness the arrival of the Imperial Airways liner Dorado from Penang with 16 bags of mail and a passenger, thus inaugurating a direct service from London to Hongkong.

The Dorado landed at 11.35 and taxied into the shed.

Captain Lock and his crew were welcomed by His Excellency who warmly congratulated them on the success of their flight. A surprise greeted the on-lookers when they found that the Dorado which was to carry only mail on this trip, had a passenger.

This was Mr Ong Eee-lim, of Kuala Lumpur, an enthusiastic amateur flyer who came up to Hongkong to meet his brother. He holds the distinction of being the first passenger to land in the Colony from an Imperial Airways plane.

Commented Argus in "Bird's Eye View": on the Legislative Council vote on Wednesday on retrenchments in the Civil Service: The Unofficials insisted upon a division; but the Government hops the lot.

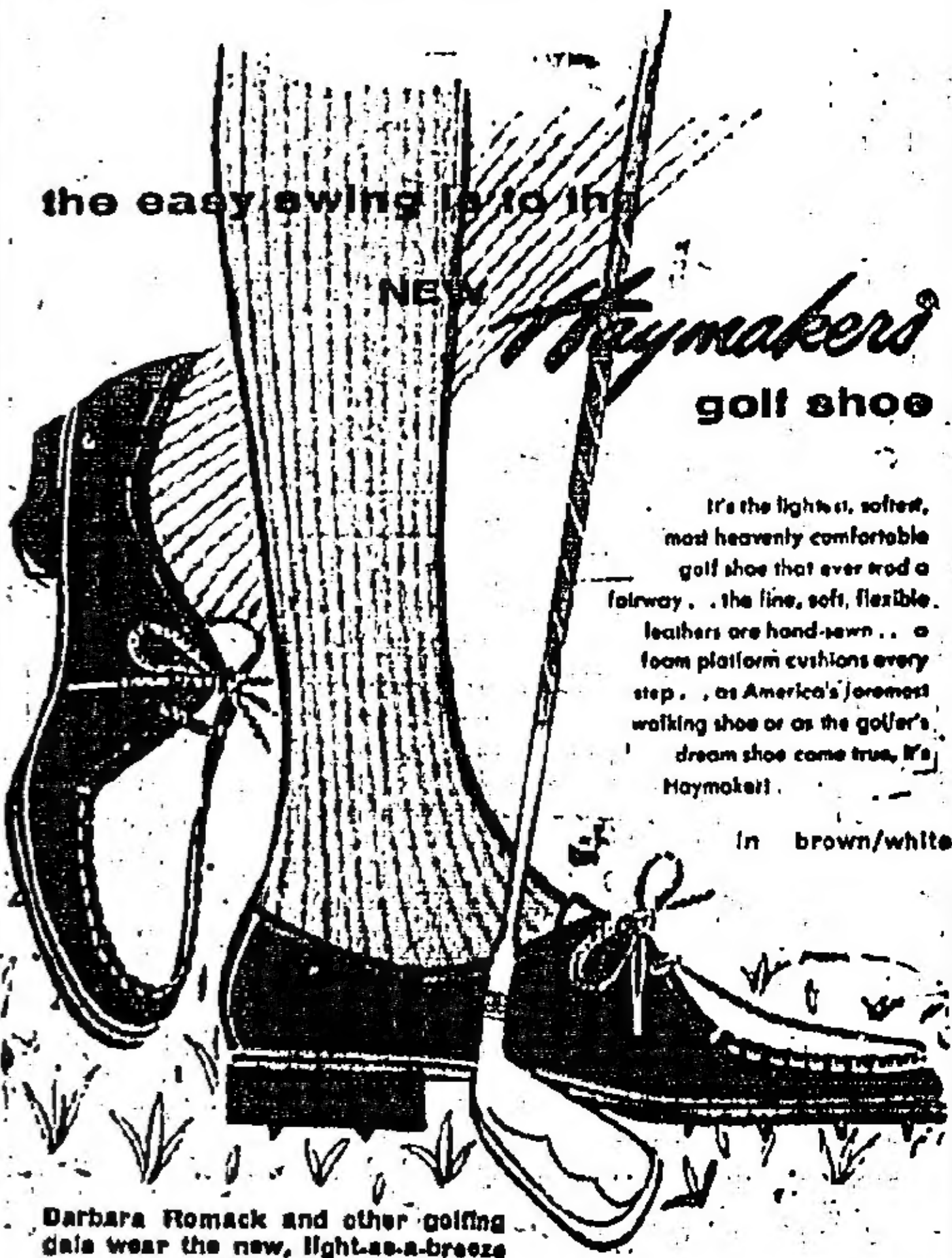
GOVERNOR TO MEET VISITOR

Mr Peter Myers, President of the World Council of Young Men's Service Clubs, is to be received in audience by the Governor at Government House today.

Interests, such as the 'Save the Children Fund', and the foundation of a Chair of Race Relations at the University of Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, also holiday exchange schemes for children of various countries, are among the activities sponsored by the World Council.

Mr Myers is the founder President of the reconstituted body of the Young Men's Service Clubs which aim to develop fellowship among young men through their business and community service, to promote responsible citizenship and international understanding.

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